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SILVER-WEDDING

KOMOR—ROGALSKY.—On April 8, 1915 at the Austro-Hungarian Consulate-General, before Dr. K. Bernauer, PAUL, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. I. Komor of Shanghai to ADELE, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Rogalsky of Harbin. 11897

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THE SHANGHAI ELECTRIC CONSTRUCTION CO., LTD.
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Thirty-fourth Ordinary General Meeting of THE SHANGHAI ELECTRIC CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, LTD., will be held at the Head Office of the Company, 185 Soochow Road, Shanghai, on Tuesday, April 30, 1940, at 4 o'clock in the afternoon for the purposes following namely:—

(1) To receive and consider the Annual Statement of Accounts and Balance Sheet, and the Reports of the Directors and Auditors thereon.
(2) To declare a Dividend.
(3) To elect Directors.
(4) To vote extra remuneration to the Directors.
(5) To appoint Auditors and to fix their remuneration.
(6) To transact any other business of an Ordinary General Meeting.

The Transfer Books and Register of Members will be closed from April 15, to April 30, 1940, both dates inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
A. POLLOCK,
Secretary,

185 Soochow Road,
Shanghai, April 6, 1940.

NOTE.—A holder of a Share Warrant to Bearer desiring to attend and vote at the meeting must deposit the Share Warrant together with a statement in writing of his name and address at the Head Office of the Company in Shanghai or at the Registered Office of the Company, Basildon House, Moorgate, London, E. C. 2, two clear days at least before the day appointed for the meeting or adjourned meeting.

Share Warrants so deposited must remain deposited until after the meeting or any adjournment thereof shall have been held. 11896

THE COUNTRY HOSPITAL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Surcharge added to the total of Patients' Bills will be increased to 50% as from April 15, 1940.

This increase has become necessary owing to the high cost of all commodities and essential services.

By Order,
Board of Governors,
THE COUNTRY HOSPITAL.
April 8, 1940. 11899

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the surcharge added to the total of Patients' Bills will be increased to 50% (3rd. Class 30%) as from April 15, 1940.

This increase has become necessary owing to the high cost of all commodities and essential services.

By Order
BOARD OF GOVERNORS.
April 8, 1940. 11900

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

DAMAGED cargo ex
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THE ROYAL SOCIETY OF ST. GEORGE
(Shanghai Branch)

Arrangements are being made for the celebration of St. George's Day and members are urged to keep free the night of April 23 for themselves and their friends. A further notice will appear shortly.

To-day's Events

APRIL

8 SSPCA. ann. mtg., 51/17 Bund, 5.15
8 *NCDN broadcast 12.45 and 9 p.m. XMHD 760kc. 395m.*

Coming Events

APRIL

9 A.W.C. 'Appetizers,' Mrs. Morris, 4
10 B.U.S.C. visit to Telephone Co. Fukien Road, 5.30
10 Municipal Election
10 Signals Coy., S.V.C., Supper Dance
10 A.D.C. 'Night Must Fall,' Lyc., 9.15
11 For. Y. Team Debate—"Co-education"
11 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.15
11 Royal Asiatic Society: Lecture
11 Municipal Election
11 Limbless Jumble Sale, U.C. Hall, 9.30
11 A.D.C. 'Night Must Fall,' Lyc., 9.15
11 Concert Prof. Porgé, Princess Leuchtenberg, F. Adler, A.W.C. 9
12 For. Y. Evening of music—Arranged by Prof. S.S. Aksakov.
12 Shanghai Engineers' Club, Smoking Concert, 8.45
12 A.D.C. 'Night Must Fall,' Lyc., 9.15
13 A.D.C. 'Night Must Fall,' Lyc., 9.15
13 Shai. Ladies' Hockey Assn. Dinner Dance, Masonic Hall, 9
15 Engineering Society Meeting, 5.45
16 Lester Chinese Hospital mtg., 145 Shantung Rd., 5.30
16 Tuesday Evening Club, 7.30
16 L. Rosen's 30th Jubilee Gala, 'Fire Goddess,' Lt. Opera, Lyceum, 8.45
16 A.W.C. 'Sketching,' Mrs. Dunlap, 4.30
17 Ratepayers' Mtg, Race Club Stand, 2.30
17 M. Paci and his 3 Pupils (Pianists) 4 Piano-Concertos with Orchestra, Lyceum, 9.15
18 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.15
18 Asiatic and Indian Dances by Slavina-Brown and Indira-Devi, Lyc., 9.15
20 Cathedral Boy's Sch., Athletic Sports. Sports Gd., Keswick Road, 2.15
20 Concert Shanghai American School, 8.30
20 Amer. School Orchestra, AVLA 8.30, 1st Concert. Maestro: Prof. Porgé
23 A.W.C. Music Dept. Programme 4.30
25 Royal Asiatic Society—Cinema
25 Cradle Bridge/Mahjongg, S.I.B.C., 3
26 Soc. Chart. Accountants ann. dinner, Shanghai Club.
29 Song Recital, Lisa Robitchek, with F. Adler, H. Margolinski, A.W.C., 9
30 A.W.C. Bridge/Mahjongg, 3

MAY

4 Re-opening, Roof Garden, Mascot, Hongkew

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Twenty-Seventh Annual General Meeting of Shareholders in the above Company will be held at No. 49 Szechuen Road, Shanghai on Wednesday, April 17, 1940 at 11.45 a.m. for the following purposes:—

To receive the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ended December 31, 1939, to declare a dividend, to elect a Director and Auditors and to transact any other ordinary business.

The Transfer Books and Share Register of the Company will be closed from April 11 to April 17, 1940, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
J. A. WATTIE & CO., LTD.,
General Managers.

Shanghai, April 4, 1940. 11843

THE SHANGHAI LAND INVESTMENT CO., LTD.
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Application has been made to the Directors of this Company to issue to SONG VUNG KWE of SHANGHAI duplicate certificates for FIVE HUNDRED shares of Tls. 5 each in the Company upon the statement that the original certificates Nos. 8729 (Share Nos. 371431 to 371930) 8730 (Share Nos. 371931 to 372030, 264211 to 264510, 391271 to 391370) 8731 (Share Nos. 308711 to 309210) 8732 (Share Nos. 277211 to 277710) dated 14th day of January 1939, has been lost or destroyed.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that if within 30 DAYS from the date hereof no claim or representation in respect of such original certificates is made to the Directors they will then proceed to deal with such application for duplicates.

By Order of the Directors,
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Shanghai, March 18, 1940. 11449

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A MEETING will be held in the Auditorium (Wu-Lien-Teh Hall) on Thursday, April 11, 1940, at 5.30 p.m., when a Lecture will be given by

H. E. GIBSON, ESQ.
on
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N. MAAS,
Hon. Secretary (R.A.S.) 11894

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By Order of the Committee,
ALAN WHEEN,
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BRITISH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The twenty-fifth Annual General Meeting of the British Chamber of Commerce, Shanghai, will be held at the offices of the Chamber, 27 The Bund (5th floor) on Thursday, April 11, 1940, at 5.15 p.m.

By Order of the Committee
H. F. BAKER.
Secretary. 11813

CHINA ASSOCIATION

The Annual General Meeting of the China Association (Shanghai Branch) will be held at the offices of the Association, 27 The Bund (5th floor) on Thursday, April 11, 1940, at 5.15 p.m.

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WEATHER, TIME AND TIDE

Meteorological Reports	Apr. 6 16.00	Apr. 6 21.00	Apr. 7 4.00	Apr. 7 9.00
Barometer inches	30.17	30.17	30.06	30.06
at 32 F. (variation for 24 hrs.)	—0.11	—0.15	—0.21	—0.26
at 32 F. (" " 12 hrs.)	—0.10	—0.15	—0.11	—0.11
Wind (direction)	SE/S	SE/E	SE	S/W
" (miles per hour)	13.7	9.3	7.4	7.4
Temperature (Fahr.)	55.0	46.0	45.1	57.6
Humidity %	55	72	89	72
Nebulosity (0 to 10)	8	0	9	1
Rainfall inches	—	—	—	—

Siccawei Abridged Report April 6	Mean 1940	24 hrs. variation	67 years average
Barometer (mean 4 obs.)	30.23	—0.06	30.05
Temp. Min. 32.9 Max. 61.5	48.2	—L.2	53.1
Total rainfull January 1 to midnight before last (inches)	10.74	—	8.19

Time and Tide	8/4	9/4	10/4	11/4	12/4	13/4	14/4
Sun rises at Shanghai	5.34	5.33	5.32	5.30	5.29	5.28	5.27
Sun sets at Shanghai	18.13	18.18	18.19	18.20	18.20	18.21	18.21
Moon rises at Shanghai	5.41	6.17	7.36	8.21	9.11	10.04	—
Moon sets at Shanghai	18.44	19.38	20.31	21.26	22.19	23.12	—
Flood makes Shai. 6 to 18	11.10	11.34	11.55	12.07	12.32	13.04	13.59
Ebb. makes Shai. 6 to 18	16.10	16.40	17.04	17.36	6.00	6.26	7.00
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MONDAY, April 8.	Reg.	Ord.
Ninghsien etc. via Chinhai	*19.00	8.00
Aust. N.Z. and Straits	9.00	10.00
Hongkong and Canton	9.30	10.00
Swatow and Hongkong	9.30	10.00
Kiangpei offices south and east of Jukao	18.30	19.00
TUESDAY, April 9.		
Japan Korea via Nagasaki	*20.00	7.15
Aust. N.Z. S.S. India Suez and Europe via Suez	AX*20.00	9.00
Hongkong	X 8.30	9.00
Tsingtao and Dairen	8.30	9.00
Aust. N.Z. and Manila	15.00	16.00
Hongkong and Canton	15.30	16.00
Kiangpei offices south and east of Jukao	18.30	19.00
Japan via Kobe	19.30	20.00

* The night before.
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X Provisional time—subject to alterations.
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Next parcel mail for U.S.A. closes on April 11.

Air Mails

Imperial Airways Service per steamer on April 11, at 10 a.m. for registered and at 11 a.m. for ordinary due London on April 24.
Pan American Airways Service per steamer on April 11, at 10 a.m. for registered and 11 a.m. for ordinary due San Francisco on April 23.
Air France per steamer on April 11, at 10 a.m. for registered and at 11 a.m. for ordinary.
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Nanking per Shanghai-Nanking Air Line at 9.45 a.m. and 12.00 at Yuhang Road Sub-Office at 9.15 a.m. and 11.30 a.m.
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Hangchow 11.30 a.m. and 10.30 p.m.
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Ocean Mails for Europe and America.

Next steamer mails will be closed as follows:—
Per steamer via Pacific, on April 7.
Per steamer via Suez, on April 9.
Per steamer via Pacific, on April 11.

THE WEATHER

Temperature near Holy Trinity Cathedral Shanghai at hours ending 7 p.m.:—
Yesterday Min. 44.0 Max. 74.0
Same date, 1939 Min. 38.0 Max. 56.0
Rainfall nil.

Temperature at Siccawei:—
Yesterday Min. 41.0 Max. 75.2
Same date, 1939 Min. 33.6 Max. 57.9

State on the morning of the 6th:—High and steady pressure over China and Kores: low and rising over Japan. South-westerly winds to the north of the Saddles: north-easterly in the south. Fine and cool weather.

State on the morning of the 7th:—Fine weather. Southerly breezes. Normal and steady pressure.

Probabilities, 4.30 p.m. yesterday:—Cloudy and sandy weather with strong south-westerly to north-westerly winds around Shantung: with southerly to westerly winds in our regions. Cloudy to overcast with fresh northerly to easterly winds to the south of the Saddles.—Siccawei Observatory.

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A L B	10	Palfreeman D C	20
Billon V A	15	E P	30
Blaikie C B	30	P & B D	100
Blair A B	10	Pedder N	15
Blake E M	20	Penfold F G	20
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S.M.C. Elections: What Do Candidates Say?

To the Editor of the
"North-China Daily News"

Sir,—Rightly or wrongly, I believe that many of the major problems confronting the Council are the direct and indirect consequence of the efforts which have been made during the past three years or so to establish a new order in East Asia.

I refer particularly to such matters as:—

(a) The absence of Council control and function in the areas north of the Creek.
(b) The appalling congestion in the Settlement arising in the main out of the destruction of Nantao and Chapei.
(c) The uncontrolled development of inferior factories and squatter settlements in the Western areas.
(d) The breakdown of the Settlement and Concession drainage system brought about largely by (c) and resulting in serious floodings even when rainfall cannot be considered abnormal.
(e) The fantastic figures to which the price of rice and locally-produced foodstuffs have soared.
(f) The spread of gambling, burglaries, hold-ups, etc., etc.

One could go on *ad infinitum*.

I am of the opinion that the present Council is as well able as any other to administer ordinary civic affairs, and I also believe that the new candidates offering themselves for election will be as impotent as the present Council to remedy matters which are affected by considerations outside the realm of ordinary civic affairs.

In regard to the latter I may be wrong, and it would assist me, and I hope the electorate generally, to obtain a better appreciation of the qualifications of the new candidates if, instead of fulminating upon the ethics of the "straw vote," or of oozing platitudes about "national domination" and "economic feudalism," or of making sinister and meaningless references to evils lurking in crannies, they would inform us how they propose to solve the major problems I have referred to above. What are the ways and means open to them which are not available to the present Council?

B.

Shanghai, Apr. 6.

How to Avoid Split

To the Editor of the
"North-China Daily News"

Sir,—Out of the welter of discussion and correspondence on the subject of the forthcoming Municipal Elections, one fact stands crystal clear: if the *status quo* is to be maintained—there must be no split in the British/American vote.

At present with six British and two American candidates in the field, some division of strength is inevitable for on the one hand the British election committee is urging their supporters to vote for the five official British candidates and the two Americans, while the supporters of Mr. Ranald McDonald say vote for six British and two American candidates.

Neither vilification nor persuasion are likely to affect Mr. Ranald McDonald's decision to stand for election, and it is suggested that the solution to this impasse is withdrawal, by the British election committee, of one of their official candidates. This should be accompanied by a joint declaration of all parties concerned urging the voters to vote for these five British and two American candidates and no others.

By thus temporarily sinking factional differences, the British and American voters would be able solidly to vote for the *status quo* and at the same time the minority of ratepayers who are dissatisfied with the official British candidates would feel that their interests had been recognized.

Simplex.

Shanghai, Apr. 6.

Indentification of Voters

To the Editor of the
"North-China Daily News"

Sir,—Since the number of voters has exceeded 6,000 this year and the control of the Settlement is at stake, I wonder how each voter could be identified at the booth, particularly the newcomers. One was familiar with the identity of each voter in the old days when everyone was known to each other, but this is now impossible. In order to solve this problem and to avoid any doubt as to the genuineness of the voters' identity, I suggest passports or some such instruments be produced at the polling stations at the time of voting and therein noted that the holder has cast his vote. I do not think too much work and time would be involved; and this procedure would certainly produce satisfactory and desirable results and ensure personal attendance as required by the Land Regulations. One is amazed at the similarity of names in scanning the Ratepayers' List, appearing in the recent "Municipal Gazette," and it is especially conspicuous with the nationals of certain section of the community.

H. M. C.

Shanghai, Apr. 6.

Advice to Doubters

To the Editor of the
"North-China Daily News"

Sir,—May I through the columns of your esteemed journal suggest to those people, who are entitled to vote, but are in doubt as to whether the Japanese ever mean what they say, that they take a look at the pictures still to be seen in the Shanghai shops of what the Japanese so-called "Mission of Peace" meant in 1937.

Then again remember the stripping of men and women by Japanese sentries in Tientsin.

So Sorry.

Shanghai, Apr. 6.

Qualification of Voters

To the Editor of the
"North-China Daily News"

Sir,—I wonder if any of your readers can enlighten me as to whether the Jewish Refugees are qualified to vote. I also question the validity of the votes of the Germans, Russians and others who no longer enjoy extraterritoriality.

Old Resident.

Shanghai, Apr. 6.

External Bonds: An Editorial Welcomed

To the Editor of the
"North-China Daily News"

Sir,—It must have been with considerable satisfaction that holders of Chinese External Bonds read the leader in the issue of your esteemed journal on April 4, which referred to the servicing of Foreign Loans in China.

It would appear that it is not a matter of a shortage of the wherewithal with which to pay, that accounts for the default in the servicing of these loans, as the Domestic Loans, despite their secondary claim upon Customs and Salt revenue, are definitely receiving regularly, full payments of both interest and amortization. Several articles have recently appeared in local financial organs giving estimated sums of Shanghai dollars sequested in (1) the Yokohama Specie Bank and (2) the Hongkong & Shanghai Bank as guarantees against eventual payment of dues upon Foreign Bonds. The former deposits are made from Customs revenue currently derived from Japanese-controlled areas, and the latter deposits, by the Chungking Government, being monies derived from Customs receipts in areas still under the Chungking regime. The aforementioned loan service deposits in the Yokohama Specie Bank are reputed to run into hundreds of millions of Shanghai dollars, and if such deposits are still intact, it would seem that something should be done immediately about the payment of part, at least, of the arrears of these loans. Any such payments would, after all, only be in accordance with the Anglo-Japanese Agreement reached in Tokyo during the early part of the hostilities in China.

Mr. Chou Fo-hai, Finance Minister to the new Nanking regime, recently made a statement to the effect that all foreign interests Government is definitely recognized and sponsored by the same parties controlling the Yokohama Specie Bank Loan Deposits, it might be expected that he would be the disburser of such Deposits to legitimate recipients.

Sometime during the middle of 1939 certain negotiations were instituted between the Foreign Bond Holders' Committee in London and the representatives of the Chungking Government for the partial payment of arrears of interest of External Bonds. The plan was apparently abandoned when the Chinese dollar suddenly weakened to 4½d., and it is with gratification that I read your leader, which rightly brings forward a matter of vital interest to those who, in the past, have invested capital in China, and according to the recent statement made by Mr. Chou Fo-hai, may be again asked to do so in the near future.

Bond Holder.

Shanghai, Apr. 6.

Weihaiwei: How Reports Grow

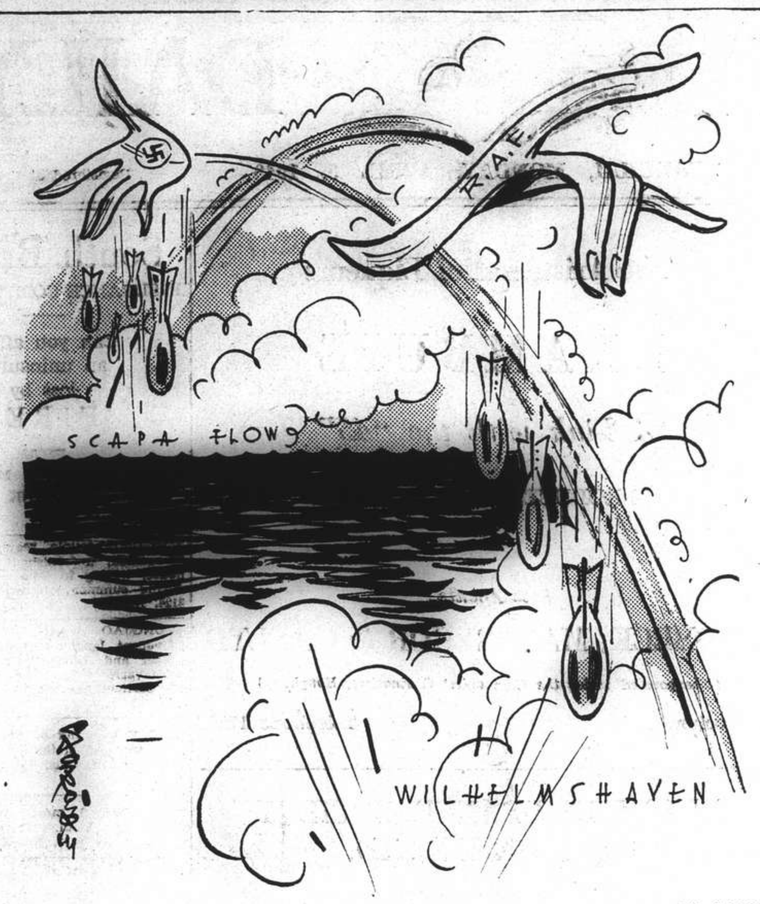
To the Editor of the
"North-China Daily News"

Sir,—In a recent letter concerning an alleged anti-British movement here I promised to report further on the position. As a result of many enquiries among the people I have failed to find any signs of such a movement: the people are suffering terribly from the high cost of foodstuffs; they are not a rice-eating people, and with white flour at 40 cents a catty and maize flour at 28 cents, they find it very hard to eke out a living; the coarsest maize flour, locally known as "Ba-Ba" (pronounced as though its surname were Black-sheep) flavoured with a little pickled turnip (Loh-boh) is all they have to eat, and the majority are only looking forward to the arrival of summer visitors to assist their meagre incomes. Under such circumstances it is hardly likely that they would be anti-anybody.

The fact remains, however, that, as Reuter reported, anti-British posters were put up by some unknown agency: it is also a fact that they were promptly taken down and have not been seen since. It is further true that one loyal British subject found a number of lurid posters depicting the distorted features of Europeans surrounded by a lot of Chinese writing; taking these for anti-British posters, he reported them to the nearest authority, when further investigation proved they were mere advertisements for a well-known brand of pill portraying the pains of prospective purchasers. It is in this way that reports get exaggerated—for even Homer sometimes nods.

E. S. Wilkinson.

Weihaiwei, Apr. 2.



Tit for Tat

BY SAPAJOU

Capital's Flight: Foreign Shares or Exchange

To the Editor of the
"North-China Daily News"

Sir,—The Chinese bankers last month were agitating against the increasing number of Chinese speculating in foreign shares because the heavy buying of foreign shares was deemed by the Chinese bankers as the cause of the flight of capital into foreign hands. The Shanghai stock exchange has consequently become very dull without the Chinese support but, the Chinese speculators have turned to buying of foreign exchange instead, causing the Chinese dollars to slump to a new low. Out of the frying pan into the fire, the flight of capital continues even to a greater extent than before.

With the shares, one can still make fairly sound judgment by study of the conditions of the companies in which you possess your shares, but buying foreign exchange is speculation pure and simple. Can you advise what one can do to make some decent money or can anyone else advise to that effect?

A Chinese Reader.

Shanghai, Apr. 5.

Australian Mail: Spasmodic Arrivals

To the Editor of the
"North-China Daily News"

Sir,—I'm beginning to wonder if the mantle of totalitarianism is falling over our reputedly free Empire. The non-arrival—or the spasmodic arrival—of a Sydney paper prompts me to pose the query. The paper, probably well known to some of your readers ("The Sydney Bulletin"), is strongly nationalistic and occasionally criticizes the Governments—Australian and Imperial. Recently it has poked a lot of fun at the military for permitting officers and non-commissioned officers intoxicating drinks whilst forbidding a wet to those of ranks junior. Also it has been no fervent admirer of Mr. Winston Churchill, and for one or more of these reasons may have caused a governmental frown. Could any subscribers to the paper in China throw any light on the matter, please?

B.

Shanghai, Apr. 6.

Typewriter Ribbons: How to Moisten

To the Editor of the
"North-China Daily News"

Sir,—In answering Strapped's letter—How to freshen a typewriter ribbon which is too dry?

The way to freshen it is easy, just unroll the ribbon and put in into an ice-box for 24 hours (In summer weather 30 minutes is enough), then take it out, it will be as fresh as a new one.

The importance is do not let ribbon touch water.

T. K. Chiang.

Shanghai, Apr. 6.

Cost of Living: Lot of B. Class Employees

To the Editor of the
"North-China Daily News"

Sir,—While Buzz wonders whether heads of the various firms in Shanghai are aware of the terrible plight their local salaried employees are in these days, I wonder a little bit more, I wonder if they realize that the H.C.L. allowance so magnanimously handed out is so totally inadequate to meet the increased demands daily made on the local man that he has to resort to other means in a vain endeavour to keep his head above water. "Other means" can be clarified as—pawnshops, clearing out of old trinkets and selling them for what they can bring, and the money lender, whose rapacious charge of interest on money borrowed is so colossal that instead of helping the "B" man it only means a heavier stranglehold on purse and pride and more sleepless nights!

Then there is the little item of cutting down expenses to such a fine point in so far as food is concerned that the question of malnutrition must eventually have far-reaching results.

I can fully sympathize with Buzz's feelings when he says "we are timid about approaching our employers for an increase in allowance". It's not that we haven't got plain everyday garden "guts"—but with the knowledge over our heads that certain new arrivals in town are offering to step into various jobs around town and work gratis for from three months to one year—the very spirit is knocked out of us all. If the various heads of offices feel that the old spirit of co-operation is gone—or gradually disappearing—don't they ever ask themselves "Why"? I realize that in many instances their hands are tied in that they have to write lengthy letters of explanation re the vagaries of our local exchange to head offices abroad—and that in most instances the good old profit and loss account reflects on them at the end of the year's working, so that it behoves them to show the best results they can—but in practically all instances commodities they represent are sold in terms of U.S.$ or Sterling which are raised to meet any drop in local currency!!

Surely it's not too much to hope that some day soon a fairminded individual will take the lead and that we "B" people will get a break!

Hard Hit.

Shanghai, Apr. 6.

***Several letters have been held over owing to pressure on space.

Lesson Sermon

First Church of Christ, Scientist.

Unreality: Is the subject of the Lesson Sermon read in all Churches of Christ Scientist, throughout the world on Sunday, April 7. Golden Text:— Jeremiah 3:23. "Truly in vain is salvation hoped for from the hills, and from the multitude of mountains; truly in the Lord our God is the salvation of Israel." Among the citations which comprise the Lesson Sermon is the following from The Bible:— "Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world. And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth forever." I John 2:15-17.

The Lesson Sermon also includes the following passage from the Christian Science textbook. "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy:— "Finite mind manifests all sorts of errors, and thus proves the material theory of mind in matter to be the antipode of Mind. Who hath found finite life or love sufficient to meet the demands of human want and woe, —to still the desires, to satisfy the aspirations?"

Seventy Years Ago

From the "North-China Daily News" of April 8, 1870

Instructions have been received by the U.S. Consul General at Shanghai, that a reduction in postage between Shanghai and Japan ports will be made from April 1, 1870 as follows:—First between ports of Japan and Shanghai—for letters, 6 cents per each single letter of half an ounce and under. For newspapers and prices current 2 cents each. For other printed matter 2 cents per each 4 ounces or fraction of 4 ounces. Secondly between the ports of Yokohama, Hiogo and Nagasaki—for letters, 3 cents per each single letter of half an ounce and under. For newspapers and prices current 2 cents each. For other printed matter 2 cents per each 4 ounces or fraction of four ounces. These rates of sea postage must be prepaid by U.S. postage stamps.

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GRAND. — "Hotel Imperial." — Spies, lovers, fugitives battle for existence in a maelstorm of hate and fear as contending armies capture and recapture the frontier town in which five interesting people seek refuge during the days of the Great War. Starring Isa Miranda, Ray Milland, with Gene Lockhart, J. Carrol Naish and Henry Victor.

METROPOL.—"Hsiang Fei" (Fragrant Princess). — The thrilling, spectacular and authentic romance of the famous beauty for love of whom the great emperor Chien Lung fought a war and transplanted a city. Mandarin dialogue, with full English sub-titles. Starring Wang Hsichuen, with Chang Yi, Li Ying, Doo Kwang-chi and Chen Chi.

CATHAY.—"Day-Time Wife." — While hubby wanders, wife wonders....and finally goes to find out just what a secretary possesses that a wife hasn't got, to land in a love tangle of her own. Starring Tyrone Power and Linda Darnell, with Warren William, Binnie Barnes and Wendy Barrie.

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CAPITOL. — "Jamaica Inn." — Daphne Maurier's colourful romance of wreckers on the Coast of Cornwall, with Charles Laughton as the squire who is also better than he was in "The Beachcomber." With Charles Laughton, Leslie Banks, Robert Newton, Maureen O'Hara, Marie Nye, Emylin Williams and Wylie Watson.

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"The Hardys Ride High."—Sixth of the popular Hardy Family series, this picture stars Mickey Rooney and Lewis Stone once again in roles which have made them famous in the last two years. The story of this picture deals with the Hardy's when they suddenly acquired a $2,000,000 inheritance. Supporting Rooney and Stone are Fay Holden, Cecilia Parker, Sarah Haden, Ann Rutherford and Virginia Grey. Coming to the **ROXY.**

FROM SHANGHAI FOOTLIGHTS AND FILMS

"Hotel Imperial"

Isa Miranda, new Continental star, is at the Grand Theatre today, while playing opposite is Ray Milland. Others include Reginald Owen, Gene Lockhart and Curt Bois.

"Day-Time Wife"

One of the most sophisticated domestic comedies to reach Shanghai in a long time is at the Cathay today—Tyrone Power, Linda Darnell, Warren William and Wendy Barrie.

"Green Hell"

The thrilling search for lost gold forms the motif for this exciting film at the Nanking Theatre. Starred are Douglas Fairbanks and Joan Bennett, with John Howard.

"Fast and Furious"

Next on the programme at the Roxy Theatre are Franchot Tone and Ann Sothern in starring roles in this detective comedy—also Ruth Hussey, Jean Miljan and Lee Bowman.

Fragrant Princess

These popular Chinese actors have principal roles at the Metropol today—in Mandarin with English sub-titles.

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HUNGARIA.—Night club. Hungarian cuisine. Hartmann's swing hand.

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PARK HOTEL.—Dancing nightly. Sunday tea dance. Itkis' orchestra. Floorshow.

ROXY.—Night club, Jack, Charles and James.

"Night Must Fall"

Theatre-goers are reminded that the ninth A.D.C. production of the season is due at the Lyceum Theatre on Wednesday and the three following nights. In the cast of "Night Must Fall" will be found a talented new-comer to the local stage in Mr. W. H. Spring who plays the leading role originally created in London by the author, Emlyn Williams; he will undoubtedly add to the reputation which he earned at Hankow.

Playing opposite as Olivia is Miss Joyce Middleton who makes a welcome return to the stage after a long absence. In "Night Must Fall" she has a part which demands and to which she gives a highly sensitive interpretation. Particular mention should be made of Mrs. C. J. Merritt who plays the neurotic old woman round whom the play centres.

Although the play is essentially an extremely clever study of the psychology of a conceited and heartless murderer the author has wisely developed his major theme against a background of likely humour mostly portrayed by that clever comedienne Mrs. Arnold-Jones, with the result that it is rich in comedy and natural characterization. A particularly well-balanced cast has been rehearsing the play under the direction of Mr. E. G. Smith-Wright who was responsible for the presentation of the play at Hongkong in 1936. It is safe to say that the forthcoming production promises to be one of the outstanding ones not only of the present season, but of a long list of A.D.C. productions.

30th Anniversary

Mr. L. Rosen, organizer, producer and player, will be honoured by the Russian Light Opera on April 16 (30th anniversary of his association with the stage), with their presentation of "Fire Goddess" in the Lyceum. The show will not be repeated.

All principals of the troupe as well as a number of admirers from associated organizations will participate and, it is said, that this will be the gala show of all gala shows. Orlovskaya, Bitner, Valin and Kudinoff will support Rosen in the role of the rajah. They will be assisted by Shushlin and Markoff of grand opera fame. An ensemble of the Russian Ballet, headed by Bobinina and Baranova, and directed by Sokolsky, will form a feature of the second act.

The Largo Trio and Seroff and Manjelei are to do specialty turns, while a symphony orchestra will be directed by L. Itkis.

Hungarian Music

Swing music done with Hungarian rhythm is the specialty of the orchestra at the Hungaria night club and to make the effect complete the management specializes in tasty Hungarian cuisine—all in all quite successfully. Among the entertainers Krasso and Schapiro are featured, but general honours must go to Jani Ballan. This versatile chap plays several instruments in the band and from time to time during the evening delights with his ventriloquist turns and his sleight-of-hand.

Smart Orchestra At Farren's

Recently Michael (at the drums) was appointed band leader of the jazz and classical organization at this popular night club.

Farren's Floorshow

The Kulpa Sisters, versatile entertainers, who sing or dance, have had such a successful run at Farren's that they have been given top billing. Still in their teens, these artistes have a repertoire which runs the gamut from high-class adagio, through character and nationalist types, to the interpretative.

Patrons are advised by the management to consult the advertising columns of this journal for the announcement of the opening night of a team from abroad.

The Svetlanoff Duo and the Duo Musanoff round out the fine bill of entertainment at Farren's.

Asiatic Dances

Indira Deri is to dance at the Lyceum Theatre on April 18.

Another Saint Joan

It is a very long while since people heard anything of the version of "Saint Joan" which Bernard Shaw was supposed to be making for the screen. Elisabeth Bergner was to have played the leading part, which she has impersonated hundreds of times on the German stage. But Elisabeth Bergner too seems to have gone out of the public eye, although there are rumours from time to time of new films and new parts.

But according to the latest reports the screen will very soon have a Saint Joan of its own. This will not be founded on the Shaw play, nor on any other play. The author or authors intend to go back more or less to the authentic story, and make an entirely new version. This is the plan of Mr. David O. Selznick, and the leading actress will be Ingrid Bergman, the Swedish star who has made such an unquestionable success in "Escape to Happiness."

Miss Bergman has almost inevitably been hailed as Greta Garbo's rival, or even her successor. But Miss Garbo has had many potential rivals and been threatened with many potential successors.

French Song Hits

Teddy and Ferry Guzza at D.D.'s are striking a new and novel note in their nightly entertainment, singing certain selections in the French language. They have received a library of 26 of the latest hits from Paris, numbers which were made famous by Tino Rossi and Lucien Boyer, who have been characterized as night club and stage favourites. Romantic in type, the music mostly is based on tango rhythm and Pasa Dobles. Both local musicians are competent in French and their efforts are well received.

"Fifi," a pantomime, is the highlight of this week's entertainment, in which Ferry prepares himself as a lady from the boudoir to bath. The number is guaranteed to be a "knock-out."

Star Roles Changed

There have been a number of changes in the plans of Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer. Norma Shearer was to play the chief rôle in "Pride and Prejudice," but now that rôle has fallen to Greer Garson. Greer Garson was to have been with Fredric March in "Susan and God," but now the leading actress in this picture will be Joan Crawford. Miss Crawford has only just completed a very arduous rôle in "Strange Cargo" with Clark Gable.

The public has already had many details of this latter picture which deals with the adventures of as tough a gang of scoundrels as have appeared on one screen together. Toughness is the hall-mark of the story, and its chief expression will be found in a tremendous fight between Clark Gable and Albert Dekker. For sheer ferocity this fight is said to out-do any other in the whole history of the cinema. Remembering many other screen fights, one wonders how this can be if the combatants are to come through alive.

Cyrano de Bergerac

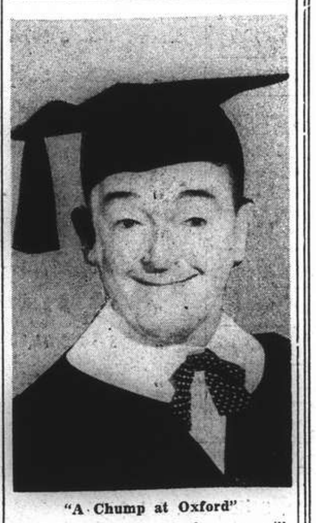
One of the parts which the film world is supposed to be reserving for Charles Laughton is that of Cyrano de Bergerac. The play by Edmond Rostand contains one of those characters which, like Hamlet, represents the ambition of most serious actors. On the French and English stage some of the most famous players have donned a gigantic nose and drawn a heroic sword. There is a sense in which it asks to be filmed, but the flamboyant dialogue must present no small difficulty to the director.

There is news now that after all the part will not be played in Hollywood by Charles Laughton, but by Spencer Tracy. This will be the first time that Tracy has undertaken a costume part and it will be an experiment to be carefully watched by the actor's innumerable admirers. It is impossible to prophesy in such matters, but in advance one cannot see Mr. Tracy filling out the romantically heroic lines of this classic rôle.

Six-item Programme

Currently at the Brer Fox is a smart programme consisting of six numbers, in which Alex and His Jam Session assist. It will be recalled that the orchestra, in spite of their short stay in the ballroom have endeared themselves and their melodies to the numerous patrons.

The floorshow are working in six numbers, each distinctive with its colour and costuming, leaves nothing to be desired; as a matter of fact, two ensembles, the glamour tango and "Mechanical Dolls" show that the girls have responded to the technique instilled by Volsky, ballet-meister. Alla's rope-skipping number, repeated by popular request, rounds out one of the best programmes in recent weeks at the Brer Fox.



"A Chump at Oxford"

Laurel—and Oliver Hardy—soon will be at the Nanking.

"Diamond Jim" Again

Edward Arnold is one of those sound and experienced actors who do not depend on youth and relative inexperience for their attractiveness. He has had a long career on the stage and the screen and is at work on the volume of interesting reminiscences. One of his most successful screen parts was that of "Diamond Jim" Brady, a remarkable example of the warm-hearted spendthrift who at one time figured largely in America's financial and theatrical circles.

Arnold is about to repeat this character in "Lillian Russell," a film story founded on the life of one of America's leading actresses and singers, whose collection of jewels made her a fitting companion for "Diamond Jim" in the 1890's. This part will be played by Alice Faye, and with her, as romantic lead, will be Henry Fonda.

The picture will be an elaborate and expensive production and in the Twentieth-Century Fox studios, where it will be made, will be reconstructions of a number of New York's most famous theatres of 50 years ago. These will include Tony Pastors (the first American vaudeville house), the Casino and Webber and Fields. The action will not be confined to America, as there will be a replica of the Savoy Theatre in London, the theatre in which the majority of Gilbert and Sullivan operas were produced.

Problem of "Rebecca"

Daphne Du Maurier's "Rebecca" has presented Hollywood with a very difficult problem. Maxime de Winter (played on the screen by Laurence Olivier) undoubtedly murdered his first wife. Yet it is impossible to hang Max de Winter. Adaptation has been wary and wily; the Hays Office has been cunningly placated. Again, in the play "Of Mice and Men" there is what may be called an innocent and beneficent murder. In dealing with this the screen cannot follow the way of the stage.

The methods of film censorship must remain a mystery to the uninitiated. In Great Britain as well as in America here is a whole table of prohibitions, prohibitions which as a rule do not limit the novelist or the dramatist. It is true that scenarists, producers and directors have learned to skim round this prohibition very adroitly, so that the picture-goer is not conscious of the things he may not see or hear in a cinema. All the same, even the Victorian novelist was not more definitely in leading strings than is the Hollywood scenarist.

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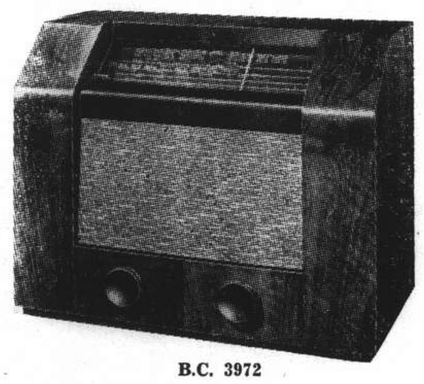

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THE SPORTS PAGE

World of Sport at Home

Plenty of Cricket to Be Played at Lord's; Start to Be Made Some Time Next Month

London, Mar. 18.

SIR Pelham Warner announces that, circumstances permitting, there will be plenty of cricket at Lord's, with sixpenny gates. A start is expected at Whitsuntide, May 13 and 14, with North versus South or Under Thirty and Over Thirty. The Army and Royal Air Force will meet each other and play other sides at headquarters. It is understood that at Whitsuntide, W. R. Hammond will take an R.A.F. eleven to Weston-super-Mare for a match. Surrey County C. C. have called a meeting of club cricket representatives in the county to discuss matches and accommodation for next season. Their Oval headquarters is not available so Surrey plan to appear in all parts of the county.

Another voice, other than Surrey's begins to break the cricket stillness. Encouraging points made by Sir Douglas McCreagh at yesterday's annual meeting of Nottinghamshire: "County competitions are not possible, but that does not mean that Notts will close down. . the work of generations at Trent Bridge would be ruined if they allowed it to go to pieces for a year or two. . . We are trying to arrange Bank Holiday matches. Leicestershire are willing to play; Derbyshire will decide very soon. Sir Julian Cahn's XI, have decided to play on their ground at West Bridgford, Notts. on Thursdays throughout the season.

Somerset, who lost £1,300 last season, will not play this summer. The committee think "it extremely improbable that the general public would attend, with most, if not all, representative players absent." Expenditure for this year is estimated at £2,000. Organized county cricket seems impossible, but surely Somerset (and other counties) could arrange a series of matches.

No Philanthropy

According to Mr. Frank Carruthers in the "Daily Mail," philanthropy rarely enters into the calculations of the League clubs. I wonder whether they sanctioned the financial arrangements of the Cup competition, which is to begin on April 13, with their eyes fully open to the way in which they operate. As a help-all event it is excellent. Never before have the clubs of the Third Division experienced such generosity. In fact, they are sitting back without a murmur of protest against having been huddled into a special preliminary round, in which they must go through the unpleasant task of cutting each other's throats. They foresee a substantial sum in the pool, which is to be made up of 30 per cent., of the receipts of all the ties. and what they get at the share-out will, they anticipate, be compensation for defeat even in a preliminary round. After all, it is the money they are after. The regulations have another unusual feature. It may pay a club better to drop out in the first round and continue with regional matches than to play through to the semi-final. Take the case of the Arsenal. They can depend on League gates of about 8,000, which represent takings of £400, of which they draw £200. To earn as much out of a cup tie it will be necessary for them to play before 11,500. The clubs having got a cup—and their own way—I am glad that they are now beginning to face up to the warning of Mr. Cuff and preparing for next season. Whatever extra money they may now earn will avail them little if they are bereft of players next September.

50 Years' Service

Mr. W. C. Cuff, president of the Football League and vice-president of the Football Association, has completed 50 years' service to Everton F. C., of which he is the oldest director. He first joined the club in 1890, and has since served as secretary, director, and chairman.

Soccer has been staggered by a shilling-a-goal bonus suggestion, submitted to the Football League by Chairman Duckworth, if Bury F. C. Of all the "slicker Soccer" schemes since war hit the game this is considered the most revolutionary. Mr. Duckworth urges that this bonus should be credited to each of the eleven players in a team every time the side scores. Accumulated money to be paid out at the end of the season. Idea is that team spirit would be safeguarded and stimulated by the fact that all players share the fruits of goal-scoring. That the shilling bonus would lead to more footballing fun than the old grim win-draw arrangement. I fear the authorities will bury this Bury scheme. It's enterprising all right, but savours too much of the fun-fair side-show to suit the dignity of a national game. Still the League are considering all sorts of plans. Determined to stage a popular competition, they are already busy working out new-season arrangements.

The Athenian League, suspended this season, will function next year. This was decided at a meeting of League officials.

Cambridge Rally Just Fails

Oxford Past and Present Win Rugger Match; Large Lead Whittled Away

Oxford University Past and Present beat Cambridge University Past and Present by two goals and a try to a goal, a penalty goal and a try, on March 16, but the losers shared the honours, as their great rally late in the second half only just failed in its purpose. But for an injury to K. D. Downes, deputising for W. Wooller, which forced him to go out to the wing, the Light Blues might have turned defeat into victory. The Dark Blues owed their success chiefly to Blues the fine play of Luyt and Hollis, a wing pair in this year's team, who were ably supported by Walford at centre and Muller, hooker. Hollis and Pennington, crossed for Oxford in the first half, Jenkins coverted both tried. Hollis scored again soon after the interval. Cambridge's great effort came twenty minutes from the finish, and it brought them 11 points before the game was over. Parker first kicked a penalty goal, and then Bruce-Lockhart and Young crossed the Oxford line. Parker converted the last try. If he had converted both the game would have been drawn, Forrest was the pick of the Cambridge backs, who badly missed Wooller and Cliff Jones.

St. Mary's First Defeat!

Rossiyn Park beat St. Mary's Hospital at the Old Deer Park March 16 by a goal and three tries to a dropped goal and a try. This was the Hospital's first defeat this season, but they put up a good fight. Both Bedford and Harlequins fielded depleted sides when they met at Bedford for the first time for twenty years. Five Bedford men deputised for absent Harlequin players. The play was ragged, but both sides were keen and kept the play moving briskly. Harlequins took the lead against the run of the play, Crichton dropping a goal. Two movements by Bedford brought tries by Kenney and McMaster, Cook converting one. Chapman's penalty goal for the visitors came just before the interval. The play became more lively early in the second half, but developed on uninteresting lines, and there was no further score, Bedford thus won (8-7).

Two strong defences, dominated the game at Newport and they were helped through both sets of backs dropping their passes at vital moments. In the opening half, Harris, the Bath Captain put in a splendid run and after change of ends both teams set up strong attacks, the backs showing a much better understanding but neither side scored.

Good Rally

After being seven points down at half-time, Gloucester rallied so well that they drew with their visitors, the Universities Athletic Union, scoring two goals, a dropped goal and a try to a goal and four tries.

Lack of polish prevented the Royal Navy XV from turning many attacks to account at Torquay and Torquay Athletic won deservedly by three goals and three tries to a penalty goal and a try.

A penalty goal, kicked by Gribble quarter of an hour from the start sufficed for Cheltenham to win at home. Bristol had similar chances of scoring but their place kicking lacked accuracy and when, by a combined movement the Cheltenham line was crossed, the man in possession was held up. This was Bristol's first visit to Cheltenham for twenty years.

After an even first half at Aldershot, the Command unluckily lost Cornish soon after the interval, and then Guy's became supreme, a final score of three goals (one dropped) and four tries to a penalty goal and two tries resulting.

Cardiff's Defeat

Cardiff's defeat at Bridgend was in accordance with expectations. With six reserve forwards in their pack they were fortunate to escape by the comparatively narrow adverse margin of 1 penalty goal and two tries to 1 converted goal. Neath were worthy winners of the rubber in their game with Swansea. It was a hard and very stern play, but from the beginning it was obvious that there was more potential scoring power in the Neath team than there was in the Swansea side. But Swansea put up a stubborn defence and the second half was well advanced before the home men carelessly allowed the ball to run loose in the direction of W. E. Jones near their line. In a twinkling he had picked up the ball and dropped a beautiful goal. Later, W. T. Jones the left wing, scored a snap try, and Neath deservedly won by 7 points to nil.

Aberavon beat an R.A.F. XV by (10-6) and Coventry defeated the rest of Warwickshire (34-0).

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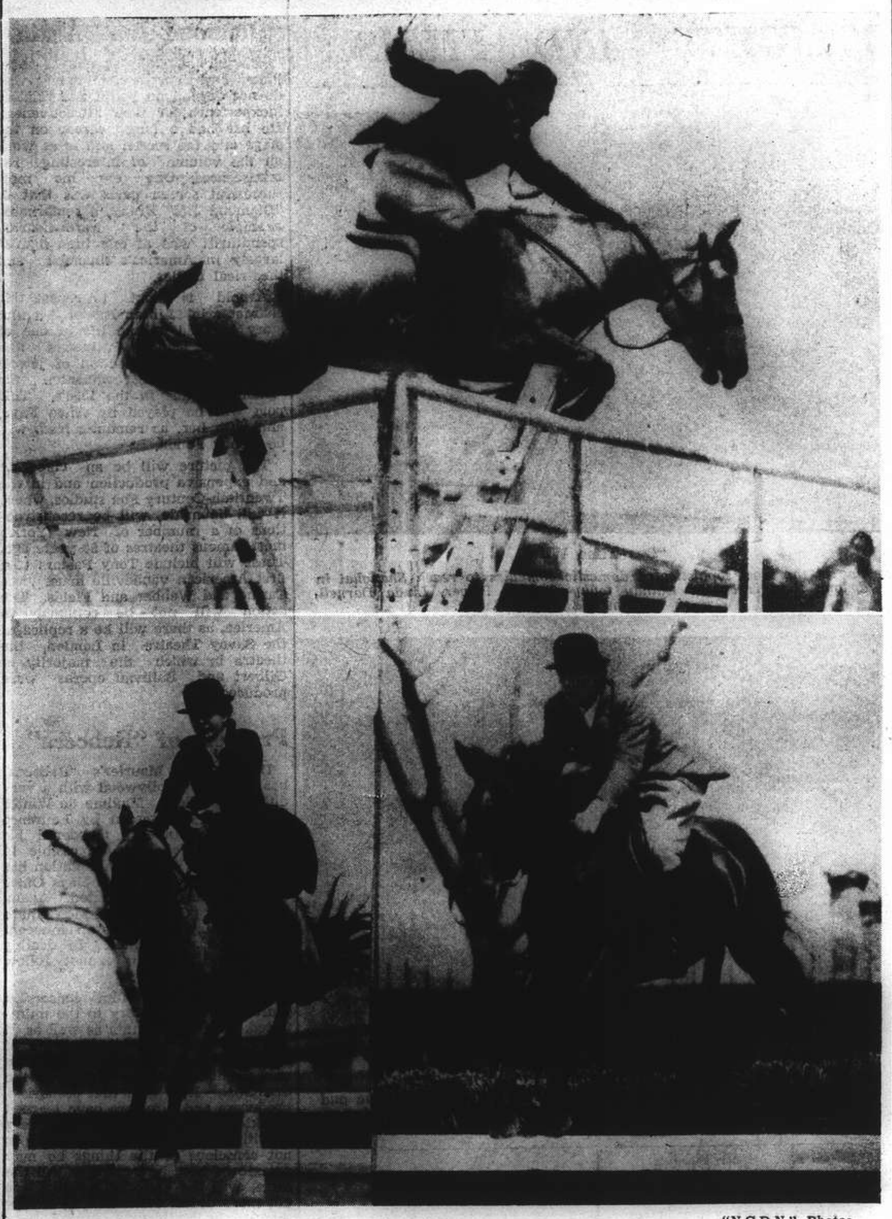

"N.C.D.N." Photos.

Sidesaddle and Astride at the Gymkhana

At the opening of the Club Hippique International's season yesterday at Hungjao, the gymkhana produced some excellent jumping. Top picture shows Mrs. E. Andrews taking a high jump in an effort to break the local record. Lower left shows Mlle. Cosmé going over sidesaddle while the jumper on the right is the Marquise Taliani de Marchio.

10,000 Cheer New Table Tennis Champion

17-Year-Old Girl Takes Title at Wembley

Miss Vera Dace, 17 year old Dulwich girl, became the new English table tennis champion, on March 16, at Wembley. In the final she beat Miss Dora Beregi, of Poland, 23-21, 21-15, 19-21, 21-16, after a thrilling fight she was warmly cheered by 10,000 spectators, the maximum permitted total. Earlier in the evening the beaten finalist had gained a great win over Jean Nicoll, the old champion, in the semi-final by 9-12, 21-13, 21-15, 8-21, 21-14. Women's Singles—Semi-Final: Dora Beregi, beat Jean Nicoll, 9-21, 21-13, 21-15, 8-21, 21-14, Final—Vera Dace beat Beregi 23-21, 21-15, 19-21, 21-16. Men's Singles—Semi-finals: Leibster beat W. Stennett 19-21, 19-21, 21-8, 21-8, 21-17, Bergmann beat Haguenauer 21-12, 21-14, 21-17. Final: Bergmann (holder) beat Leibster 21-11, 19-21, 21-13, 21-16. Men's Doubles—Final: Leibster and Bergmann beat Barna and Boros, 19-21, 20-22, 21-19, 21-17, 21-15.

Great Recovery Made By Henry Cotton

Henry Cotton (Ashridge) Made a great recovery in the second half of his 36 holes exhibition golf match at the Hill Barn course, Worthing, on March 16, to beat the home professional, A. G. Harrison, by 3 and 2. Including sums bid when the balls used by the players were auctioned after the game, the occasion raised £322 for the Red Cross funds. Harrison round in 70, had a first half lead of three holes, but Cotton played brilliantly in the afternoon to complete the round in 67.

Rugby League Results

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Apr. 7.

The following are the results of Rugby League matches played yesterday:

YORKSHIRE

Featherstone R. 27, Wakefield 8
Halifax 30, Hull 11
Hull Kingston R. 15, Bathley 10
Keighley 9, Huddersfield 11
Dewsbury 12, Hunslet 26
Leeds 17, Bradford 5
York 20, Castleford 6

LANCASHIRE

Leigh 10, Liverpool 6

FRIENDLIES

Broughton 2, Salford 6
Wigan 24, Oldham 9
Lancashire Cup (Semi-finals Home-and Away Basis)
St. Helens 7, Widnes 5
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Manila Team to Invade British Colony

Basketballers Also to Visit Singapore

Manila, Apr. 6.

The Chung Hwa basketball team, champions of the Chinese Y.W.C.A., will sail for Hongkong April 14 for a series of games in the British Colony, it was announced today.

After the Hongkong series, the Chinese girls will proceed to Singapore and Java and will play three games in each city. Most of the girls played against Hongkong last year. The trip will mark the first time that the local Chinese girls will go abroad.—United Press.

Sports Crowds at Home Growing

Increased Fourfold by Summer Time; Football Plans This Month

London, Mar. 18.

Summer time has caused all the difference in sport. Attendances at football matches and race meetings have increased fourfold. They are still growing. Six races arranged for the Windsor meeting on March 16th had to be increased to eight. There were 300 entries and nearly 150 runners. The flat-race season opens of Easter Monday at Hurst Park and Birmingham. For the Hurst Park meeting alone 240 horses have been entered. There are six National Hunt meetings on the same day.

The receipts from the first rugby international match played in wartime (between England and Wales at Cardiff) exceeded £5,000, of which £3,000 was taken at the gate. A return match takes place at Gloucester on April 13.

The new cup competition for Football League clubs begins on the same date, and arrangements are already contemplated for a final tie crowd in June (possibly at Wembley) of 50,000. Birmingham—only city in which League football was banned—has now been "reprieved.' Birmingham F.C., without a "home" since September last, will play their first war time Midland Regional match on Easter Saturday against Walsall at St. Andrews. The Chief Constable's decision to allow first-class football to be played in the city is dependent on these conditions being observed—attendance must be limited to 15,000 and spectators distributed "to avoid excessive concentration of people.' Every match must end at least half an hour before black out time.

If the police would permit, the crowds at greyhound meetings in the London area would be double the limited number of 15,000 each. On one afternoon recently £37,000 passed through the totalisator at one of these meetings. And here is another sidelight on the national delight even in war-time. The Public School seven-a-side rugby tournament at Richmond, which will take place on Tuesday, April 9, will see at least 56 schools competing—including two strongholds of the Association game, Winchester and Malvern. Last year the total entry was only 22.

Some Regional Surprises

Regional soccer has earned a reputation for surprise results and heavy scoring. March 16 was no exception, though in the fall of some of the mighty there were valid excuses. The goal scoring was not a record with 204 goals for the 42 games, for on December 16 the total was 212, Southend led the way with eight to Brighton's four, and three teams, West Bromwich, Bristol Rovers and Coventry, each scored six.

One of the surprises was Newcastle's defeat at Bradford, but here the reason undoubtedly was the unfortunate accident to Hamilton, their outside-right, who suffered a broken leg. A similar accident befell Nicholson, Manchester United's centre-half, on loan from Aberdeen, but the Home Team beat Liverpool (2-1). Another—probably the greatest surprise of the day—was Arsenal's defeat at their war-time home by West Ham (2-3) And they have no excuse. Two goals inside a minute by Fenton and Leslie Compton near the end, and with Joy going up in the forward line in a desperate attempt to save the game, put new life into a match that had faded away. Arsenal had scored first from a Bastin right-foot pile-driver, but they rarely looked like winning. It was West Ham, headed by Goulden, who produced the football.

Canidrome Results

1—300 yd. flat—1, Golden Affair; 2, Future Pal.
Also ran:—Maid of Morven, Snow Dale, Corinthian, Dalebird.
1 length.—Time, 18.18.
Win, $41.20. Forecast 6-2 Div. $379.50.
Place, 1st $23.90; 2nd $15.20.

2—440 yd. flat.—1, Go Smiling; 2, Ladybird II.
Also ran:—Our Hope, Chihli Grey Wolf, Great Hambler, Pierce Arrow.
1½ length.—Time, 27.22.
Win, $9.80. Forecast 3-6 Div. $37.80.
Place, 1st $6.50; 2nd $8.80.
Double Event 1/2 6-3 Div. $39.10.

3—500 yd. flat.—1, Botany Bay; 2, Bright Julie.
Also ran:—Gleniffer, Warrenfield, Frisky Bambins, Flintship.
2 lengths.—Time, 26.44.
Win, $64.60. Forecast 5-1 Div. $343.10.
Place, 1st $22.80; 2nd $10.80.
Double Event 2/3 3-5 Div. $54.80.

4—500 yd. flat.—1, Assurance; 2, Lulla Dale.
Also ran:—Hielan Lassie, Jackie's Girl, Jorrock's Alone, Golden Adagio.
2½ lengths.—Time, 30.58.
Win, $30. Forecast 3-2 Div. $165.20
PPlace, 1st $12.10; 2nd $12.80.
Double Event 3/4 5-3 Div. $162.50.

5—500 yd. flat.—1, Our Fortune; 2, Chop Fante.
Also ran:—Judy, Eumaeus, Wild Rose, Chez Madelon.
½ length.—Time, 30.41.
Win, $40. Forecast 1-4 Div. $406.
Place, 1st $20.60; 2nd $12.90.
Double Event 4/5 3-1 Div. $156.90.

6—500 yd. flat.—1, Aramis; 2, Woodstock Warrior.
1½ length.—Time, 29.85.
Win, $48.50. Forecast 4-6 Div. $212.
Place, 1st $16.80; 2nd $8.70.
Double Event 5/6 1-4 Div. $201.90.

7—500 yd. flat.—1, Shanghai Mist; 2, Esquire.
½ length.—Time, 30.06.
Win, $36.80. Forecast 5-4 Div. $143.30.
Place, 1st $11.50; 2nd $9.30.
Double Event 6/7 4-5 Div. $161.90.

8—500 yd. flat.—1, Grey Vole; 2, Miss Pitts.
2 lengths.—Time, 29.82.
Win, $27.40. Forecast 6-5 Div. $48.30.
Place, 1st $10.10; 2nd $7.20.
Double Event 7/8 5-6 Div. $177.70.

9—500 yd. flat.—1, Ocean Beauty; 2, Albatross.
Short head.—Time, 29.81.
Win, $16.50. Forecast 2-1 Div. $154.70.
Place, 1st $9.30; 2nd $17.20.
Double Event 8/9 6-2 Div. $34.

10—525 yd. flat.—1, Alton Classic; 2, Candid Answer.
A head.—Time, 30.24.
Win, $36. Forecast 4-5 Div. $32.30.
Place, 1st $8; 2nd $6.20.
Double Event 9/10 2-4 Div. $71.80.

11—650 yd. flat.—1, Simple Jackie; 2, Tinker.
2 lengths.—Time, 30.16.
Win, $16.20. Forecast 1-6 Div. $57.
Place, 1st $7.50; 2nd $10.50.
Double Event 10/11 4-1 Div. $41.10.
Cash sweep:—1st Dog No. 668; 2nd Dog No. 63; 3rd Dog No. 268.
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1	6	2	379.50	151.80	$2 D/Events
2	3	6	37.80	15.10	Race 1-2 $ 39.10
3	5	1	343.10	137.20	,, 2-3 $ 54.80
4	3	2	165.20	66.00	,, 3-4 $162.50
5	1	4	406.00	162.40	,, 4-5 $156.90
6	4	6	212.00	84.80	,, 5-6 $201.90
7	5	4	143.30	57.30	,, 6-7 $161.90
8	6	5	48.30	19.30	,, 7-8 $177.70
9	2	1	154.70	61.90	,, 8-9 $ 34.00
10	4	5	62.30	24.90	,, 9-10 $ 71.80
11	1	6	57.00	22.80	,, 10-11 $ 41.10
12	—	—	—	—	,, 11-12 $ ——

Yesterday Afternoon's Highest Dividends:

$5 Win Forecast Race No. 5 dog No. 1-4 $406.00
$2 Course Double Events Races 5/6 dog No. 1-4 $201.90

HAI-ALAI
Today at 7.30 P.M.

A.S.F. XI to Meet Lido Saturday

Charity Match Arranged For Canidrome; French Police Band to Play

The local football season is not quite over. One more real attraction has been arranged for this weekend. On Saturday at 2.30 p.m. the kickoff will set in motion a game between the Association Sportive Française former league champions, and Lido, present champions. The French Consul-General will kick off and the proceeds of the match, which is to be played at the Canidrome, will go to the French War Relief funds and to Chinese charities.

The A.S.F. have a very strong team selected for this match, a much stronger team than played in the league this year for the eleven includes several players of the old champion team which have not been wearing A.S.F. colours of late.

One of the chief reasons that Lido will be faced with a tough task is the presence of Willie Ward, recent Police and Interport goalkeeper, on the list of A.S.F. players. With him between the posts, the A.S.F. defence should be greatly strengthened. The complete A.S.F. team follows.

A.S.F.—W. Ward; Marcal, Collet; P. Bell, Pecquery, Segalen; J. Ward, Bossuet, Roboostoff, B. Favacho, and Sbath.

Tickets are on sale beginning today at Squires Bingham Ltd., with reserved seats at $2 and other seats at $1 and 60 cents.

Before the match begins and during the interval music will be supplied by the French Police Band.

Rugby Union Results

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Apr. 7.

The following are the results of Rugby Union matches played yesterday:

Guy's Hospital 9, Wasps 13
Aldershot Command 8, New Zealand Contingent 13
Bath 8, St. Mary's Hospital 19
Cheltenham 6, West-on-Supermare 11
Coventry 18, Hinckley 6
Exeter 24, Torquay 3
Gloucester 22, Somerset Police 9
Neath 20, Llanelly 3
Newport 16, Army Fifteen 6
Northampton 26, Reading 3
Nuneaton 13, Army Fifteen 4
Stroud 6, Bristol 11
Rosslyn Park 17, R.A.F. Cadets 13
London Hospitals 8, St. Barts Hospital 5.—Reuter.

Gala Sports Ball for Russian Club

Celebrations to Be Held On April 13

Climaxing a highly successful season in winter sports, the athletic section of the Russian Club in Shanghai will stage a gala Sports Ball in the club premises 1053 Avenue Foch on April 13, the affair commencing at 9.15 p.m.

The Russian Club's soccer eleven gave a fine display in the Third Division of the S.F.A. League during the past season, playing their schedule without a single defeat and only drawing twice out of ten games played. The team rose from cellar position last year, and with a few new players this season, displayed a considerably higher standard by coming within two points of winning their section in the league.

Mr. N. A. Jacobs, president of the Russian Club's athletic section, is drawing up plans to increase the membership of local Russian youth in the club. It is intended to provide all local Russian youngsters with training facilities in all branches of sport and, with funds expected from the forthcoming ball, a special club room will be inaugurated for young members.

Road Walking Contests Flourishing at Home

10-Mile Record Holder Continues to Win

F. J. Redman (Metropolitan W.C.) the ten miles record holder, led all the way to win the Middlesex road walk, substitute event for the county championship, covering the hilly course at Golders Green, in 78 min. 51 sec. He finished fifty yards ahead of D. H. A. Christie Murray, (Surrey W.C.) whose time was 79 min. 9 sec. while J. E. Rutland (Cadogan A.C.) was third in 81 min. 12 sec. Essex County Cycling and Athletic Association held its nineteenth annual ten miles road walking race, which is not this year being styled a championship, at Chigwell, when there were twenty three starters W. A. Tracher led practically throughout to win by about 200 yards from T. W. Richardson, the hundred miles record holder in 84 min. 35 sec. There were seventy-one starters-all of whom finished—in the annual schools race held by the South London Harriers over a three and a half miles course at Coulsdon. First home was D. S. G. Harrold (St. Dunstants) who finished about forty yards in front of C. G. W. Nichols (Whitgift) in 20 min. 38 sec. J. G. Coleman of Belgrave Harriers, holder of the county's two miles title, won the Surrey County A. A. A. ten miles road walk from Streatham Common to Carshalton and back.

Commercial Bowling League Standings

Following are the standings to date in the Commercial Bowling League here.

HARDWOOD SECTION

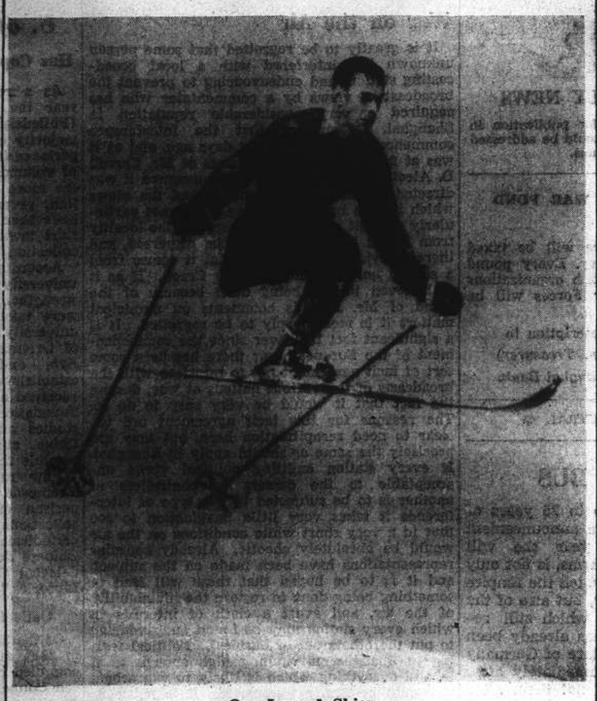
	W.	L.	Pct.	Pin Fall
J. Ch. Commerce	12	6	.667	16953
Accountants	11	7	.611	16950
1st Bn. U.S.M.C.	11	7	.611	16722
Press	10	8	.556	16651
Texaco Bears	9	9	.500	16528
H.Q., U.S.M.C.	8	10	.444	16873
Yankee Consuls	7	11	.389	16350
Automobiles	4	14	.222	16342

SOFTWOOD SECTION

Communications	12	6	.667	16610
Texaco Stars	12	6	.667	16558
Telephone	11	7	.611	16609
Insurance	9	9	.500	16758
Commercial Express	9	9	.500	16147
2nd Bn. U.S.M.C.	8	10	.444	16560
Transportation	5	13	.278	15629
Chase Bank	6	12	.333	16318

LEAGUE RECORDS

Single, Messersmith	264
Triple, Clark	699
Single, Yankee Consuls	1101
Triple, Yankee Consuls	3154



One-Legged Skier

Two legged skier will testity that the "Galendesrung" is not easy even with the normal complement of limb. But Jean Yves Gosselin executes it here on the snows of Lac Beauport with his left leg only. He lost the right one when a small boy and is now a medical student in Quebec.

British Regional League Soccer

Arsenal Defeat Brentford While Fulham Overwhelm Portsmouth 3-0

London, Apr. 7.

Following are the results of Association football matches played in the Regional Leagues yesterday:—

SOUTH C

Brentford 2, Arsenal 4
Chelsea 1, Charlton Athletic 4
Millwall 5, Southampton 2
Portsmouth 0, Fulham 3
Tottenham Hotspur 2, West Ham 6

SOUTH D

Aldershot 2, Watford 3
Bournemouth 3, Reading 1
Clapton Orient 4, Norwich City 3
Crystal Palace 10, Brighton & Hove 0
Southend United 0, Queen's Park Rangers 1

MIDLAND

Birmingham 2, Coventry 0
Leicester 5, West Bromwich 2
Northampton 2, Walsall 2
Wolverhampton 6, Luton 1

EAST MIDLAND

Barnsley 1, Doncaster Rovers 1
Chesterfield 5, Grimsby Town 0
Notts County 3, Sheffield United 0
Rotherham United 1, Mansfield Town 2
Sheffield Wednesday 2, Nottingham Forest 1

WESTERN

Chester 0, Manchester C. 3
Crewe 0, New Brighton 4
Liverpool 1, Stoke 2
Port Vale 2, Everton 1
Manchester U. 6, Stockport 1
Tranmere 2, Wrexham 2

NORTH WESTERN

Accrington 1, Southport 1
Bolton 2, Barrow 0
Burnley 0, Blackburn 0
Carlisle 1, Rochdale 2
Oldham 3, Bury 2
Preston 1, Blackpool 1

SOUTH WESTERN

Bristol City 0, Bristol Rovers 1
Cardiff City 1, Swindon Town 1
Swansea Town 0, Plymouth Argyle 2
Torquay United 4, Newport County 3

NORTH EASTERN

Bradford City 0, Huddersfield 1
Darlington 5, York City 3
Halifax Town 1, Middlesbrough 1
Hull City 3, Newcastle U. 1
Leeds United 5, Bradford 2
Result of other match was:—
Hartlepools 4, Sunderland 2

SCOTTISH WESTERN

Albion Rovers 0, Airdrieonians 1
Clyde 2, Partick Thistle 2
Hamilton Acads 2, Motherwell 3
Kilmarnock 3, St. Mirren 1
Morton 5, Dumbarton 0
Queen of South 3, Ayr United 0
Third Lanark 3, Queen's Park 0
Celtic 1, Rangers 2

SCOTTISH EASTERN

Aberdeen 5, Arbroath 2
Dundee 2, Dundee United 1
East Fife 3, Raith Rovers 2
Hearts 4, Hibernian 0
St. Bernards 3, King's Park 4
St. Johnstone 2, Falkirk 2
Stenhousemuir 2, Alloa 3

—Reuter.

Mini-Soccer Entries More Than Expected

Competition to Commence On Saturday

A record entry of 78 teams were received by the Aurora Mini-Soccer Association, but due to lack of time and playing space only 28 teams have been accepted for the competition in two divisions.

The First Division comprises two sections while the Second Division will have four sections. Play starts this Saturday with a programme of seven junior games.

First Division:—

Section "A":—Lido, Seaforths, A.S.F., French Forces, Nanyang, Kien Chan, U.T. Party.

Section "B":—Three Stars, East Surreys, Clube Lusitano Cosmos, Aurorians, Three Cultures, Paramount.

Second Division:—

Section "A":—French Forces "B," All Filipinos, Luen I, Nanmou, Bakerite, French Tramways.

Section "B":—East Surreys "B," Synagogue, Aurora "A," City Bank of New York, Mickey Mouse, Bank of Communications.

Section "C":—Russian Club, Hanburians, Wen Sieh, Fou Kbang, Parks United, Bank of China.

Section "D":—Jewish Recreation Club, French Navy, Aurora "B," Clube Lusitano "B," Yee Tsoong Tobacco, Ta Tong University.

King of Billiards Seeks Another Title

Chicago, Apr. 7.

The King of Billiards, Willie Hoppe, of New York, Saturday sought his 20th consecutive victory without a defeat in the final match of the world's championship three cushion tournament, the title of which he has already won.—United Press.

Liverpool Spring Cup

Liverpool, Apr. 7.

Results of the Spring Cup race and book prices are:

Black Speck	8/1
Heavyweight	10/1
Lover's Fate	8/1

—Reuter.

Grapefruit League Baseball Begins

Reds Trounce Red Sox By Twelve-Nothing

St. Petersburg, Fla., Apr. 7.

In the Grapefruit League yesterday: the Cincinnati Reds defeated the Boston Red Sox 12-0....but the game was called at the end of the eighth round because the supply of baseballs was exhausted.

The Detroit Tigers pushed over the Brooklyn Dodgers, 15-5; the Philadelphia Phillies trimed the Jacksonville Tars, 9-3; Washington's Senators took the Atlanta Crackers, 6-2; the Chicago White Sox beat the Pittsburgh Pirates, 4-2.—United Press.

Chinese Recapture City

Chungking, April 7.

Chinese troops in North-West Shansi, after recapturing Linghsien, attacked Fangshan on the night of March 29 and completely occupied the city the next day, according to Chinese dispatches. Fighting is also reported in South-East Shansi, where Japanese forces at Hukuan, Changtze and Sinhsien are said to have attacked Chinese positions.—Reuter.

Many Crimes Set To Arrested Gang

Murder, Jessfield Park Hold-Ups, Believed Accounted For

Working day and night since April 3 when they arrested 39 men suspected of having committed various crimes, detectives from Central Police Station were understood yesterday to have ascertained that among the felonies committed by members of the gang in all parts of the Settlement during the past few months are one murder, one attempted murder and some 20 armed robberies and hold-ups including several armed highway robberies perpetrated at Jessfield Park a few months ago.

Police quarters questioned yesterday refused to give any details regarding the case on the grounds that the various suspects are still being questioned and that the investigations have not as yet been completed.

The men, it will be recalled, appeared in the First Special District Court on April 3, when they were remanded for two weeks so as to enable the police to follow up their various clues.

The "North-China Daily News" learned yesterday that the crimes were committed in practically every district from Yangtszepoo to Bubbling Well, and that some members of the gang were involved in shoot-ups with the police. When the gang was arrested, it was also learned, large quantities of stolen property derived from these various crimes, were recovered and it was held likely that additional seizures would be made as the case progresses.

No weapons were understood to have been seized, the criminals borrowing these whenever they needed them from someone who is believed to live outside the jurisidiction of the S.M.P.

Among the crimes of which some of these men are believed to be guilty are looting cases outside Settlement limits. During the past few days, victims of the gang have been traced and are understood to have indentified by various members of the gang at Central Station.

Most of the men, it was believed, had their homes in Chapei and in the badlands and only came into Settlement to perpetrate their crimes. It was also held possible that the criminals are the authors of armed robberies committed in the French Concession, and the French police are understood to have commenced enquiries. The thugs are not believed to have any political affiliations but are understood to be hardened criminals and questioning may yet solve scores of other crimes which have remained unsolved so far.

Frank Wooton, British Jockey, Dead

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Apr. 7.

The famous British jockey, Frank Wooton, died in Australia today.—Reuter.

"Soong Sisters" Are Entertained

Busy Social Round for Two Chungking Visitors

Chungking, Apr. 7.

Madame Chiang Kai-shek gave a tea party this afternoon in honour of Madame Sun Yat-sen and Madame H. H. Kung, her two elder sisters. Many prominent women leaders in Chungking attended.

Last night General and Madame Chiang Kai-shek gave a dinner in honour of the famous sisters. The United States Ambassador to China, Mr. Nelson Johnson, was invited.

Since their arrival in Chungking from Hongkong by air on March 31, the "three Soong sisters" have been busy inspecting industrial co-operatives, war orphanages, military hospitals and women's factories.—Reuter.

Belgium Opens Trade Talks with Allies

Brussels, Apr. 6.

Anglo-Belgian economic negotiations will be launched at London on April 15 as the direct sequel to the recently-concluded Franco-Belgian trade parleys and agreement, it was announced today.

Belgian commercial talks with a German delegation began here this morning. They will be continued next week; their object is to fix export and import quotas for the two countries.—Havas.

Swedish Financier en Route to Paris

Stockholm, Apr. 7.

The Permanent Secretary of the Swedish Foreign Office, accompanied by the important Swedish financier and bank director, Mr. Marcus Wallenberg, Jr., left here for Paris on Friday night, it was learned here yesterday. It was reported that the two men were going to Paris in connection with a new war-time Swedish-French trade agreement similar to the Anglo-Swedish trade pact. The trip was regarded as very significant here in view of the new economic strategy of the Allies.—United Press.

Finally, the Secretary of War outlined the strengthening of the country's armaments during the past year, and defended the Government's rearmament policy, particularly the deliveries of war material and planes to foreign Governments.—Havas.

German Arrested in Stockholm as Spy

Stockholm, Apr. 7.

A German journalist was arrested here yesterday and has been charged with espionage activities. The man is a Communist, and it is believed that he lost his German citizenship. The importance of his espionage activities has not yet been revealed.—Havas.

Moulding a Champion for Posterity

Former world heavyweight champion Jack Dempsey sits for sculptress Ruth Yates who moulds a bust of him at her Washington Square studio. The finished head of "Brown Bomber" Joe Louis, present champion, is on Dempsey's left.

France Co-ordinating Censorship Services

Paris, Apr. 6.

The various censorship bureaux in France will shortly be unified and co-ordinated, the Information Minister, M. Ludovic-Oscar Frossard, announced today. Important decisions will also be taken on Monday regarding all radio broadcasting stations in France. The minister emphasized the "very satisfactory" results already apparent in Anglo-French co-operation in the field of news and information exchange.—Havas.

French Trade Accords With Belgium

Paris, Apr. 6.

An agreement regulating commercial exchanges between France, on the one hand, and Pelgium and Luxemburg, which form an economic union, on the other, was signed here today by the heads of the respective delegations. Import and export credits will now be opened both in France and in the Belgo-Luxemburg Union to facilitate trade exchanges and meet present necessities.—Havas.

Australia Tightens Blockade System

Sydney, Apr. 7.

The Government has decided upon far-reaching measures to tighten the Allied contraband control. Henceforth, wool exports will be limited to countries which guarantee to refuse their own exports to Germany. —Reuter.

OBITUARY

General Sir Felix Ready

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Apr. 7.

General Sir Felix Fordati Ready, formerly of the Royal Berkshire Regiment, died today at the age of 67.

He served in the Sudan, South African, and European wars, being mentioned in despatches and decorated for distinguished services in all three campaigns. He was G.O.C. the North Ireland district from 1926 to 1928.—Reuter.

Women Participate In Armed Robbery

Jewels Worth $5,000 Stolen From Chinese Home

Five men and two women, all of them believed to have been armed although this could not be ascertained from the victims, forced their way into a Chinese home at 236, Foo An alleyway, Sing Dong Ka Loong, off Tsepoo Road at 9 a.m. yesterday, and after intimidating the occupants stole considerable quantities of jewellery believed to be worth approximately $5,000 although the owners have not yet finished compiling a list of all the objects stolen.

While two of the men kept close watch over the occupants of the house, the other thugs, including the two women, searched the premises from top to bottom and relieved the victims of some of the jewellery which they were wearing at the time. The complainants are understood to have told the police that the two women in the gang had their hands under their gowns either holding pistols or else making believe that they were armed. In any case, neither one of the two women produced pistols.

This is believed to be the first time in recent months that female members of a gang actually participated in a robbery as hitherto they were merely used to carry the weapons close to the scene of the contemplated crime so that if their men were to fall into the hands of a police search party, no weapons would be found on them. Children were also frequently used in carrying weapons to and from the scenes of armed crimes.

Detectives from West Hongkew station are understood to have started investigations although no clues are believed to be in their possession as yet.

Eight Arrested in Bombay

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Bombay, Apr. 7.

Eight persons were arrested here yesterday in connection with "national week." They included P.M. Bapat, known as "senapati" (commander-in-chief), who was to have presided at an inaugural meeting. His entry into the city had been banned by the commissioner of police. No incidents were reported in Calcutta, where Judge Vivian Bose himself inaugurated the week.—Reuter.

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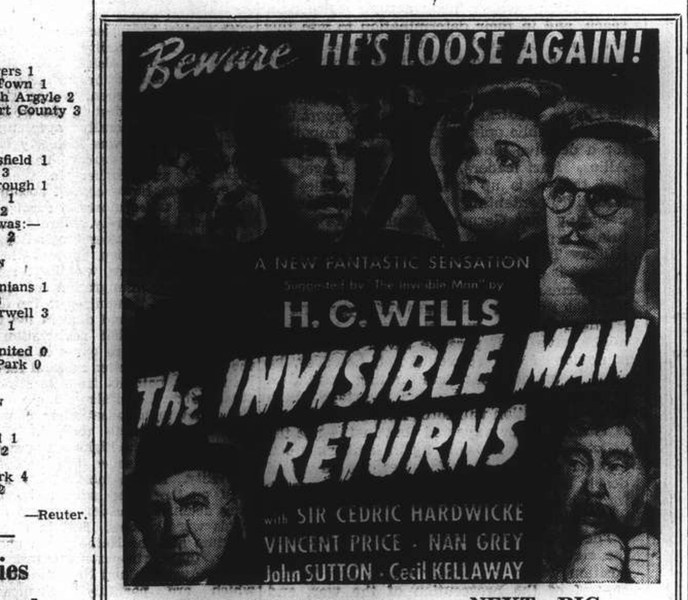
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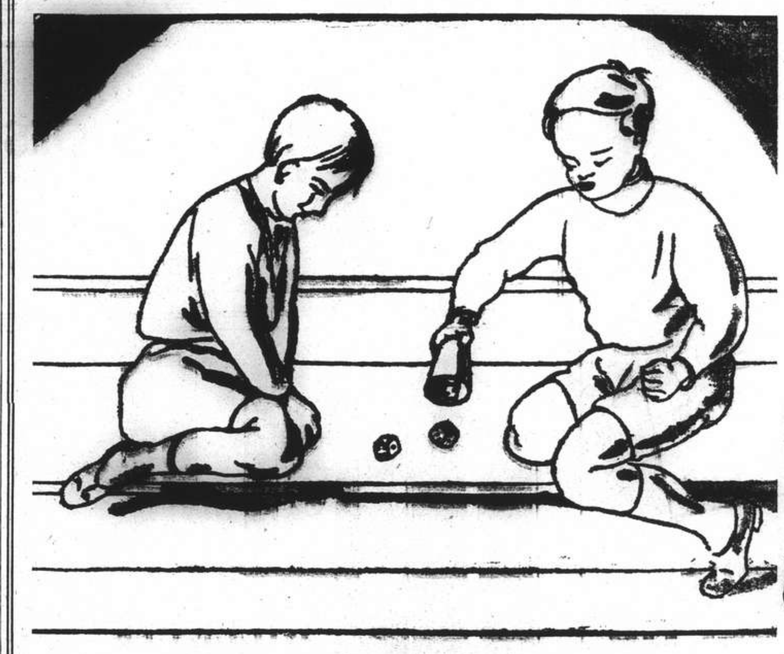

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THE MISSED BUS

The calling up of men up to 25 years of age in Great Britain, and the announcement that by the end of the year she will have five million men under arms, is not only indicative of the manner in which the Empire is playing its part in this war, but also of the enormous potential strength which still remains to be tapped. What has already been achieved results from the failure of Germany to let loose the *blitzkrieg* immediately after the declaration of war, or if not then, after the reduction of Poland. General Sir Edmund Ironside, is reported to have said that the Allies "should be heartily grateful that they enjoyed seven months in which to perfect their armies." They are in a position now to await with confidence any onslaught which the German high command may contemplate making on them. That Herr Hitler did miss the bus completely as the General claims is becoming clearer every day, and the inactivity to which the German army is condemned, together with the increasing hardships attendant upon the prolongation and stiffening of the blockade may be expected to have a very definite effect upon the moral of the men, idle at the front, and the population no longer having tales of victory handed out to them. Whether Sir Edmund is right in insisting that the German army must do something, if its moral is not to crack, may be at the moment a matter of opinion, but there cannot be very much doubt that if the present state of affairs continues very much longer, the Reich may have serious domestic problems of its own to solve. The initiative is still in Herr Hitler's hands, but it is gradually passing to the Allies, not in any positive sense, but because the passage of time is in itself forcing Herr Hitler to make decisions. Thus the maintenance of the present state of affairs, and the stiffening of the blockade are factors already pressing upon the Reich, and it can only be a question of time until Herr Hitler will be forced into greater activity than he is at present demonstrating.

Reports are current that the Reich dreads the idea of having to face another winter in a state of war. The abnormal winter through which Europe has passed naturally adds to that dread, and there is ground for believing that Herr Hitler will seek to force the pace in the hope of a quick victory before the cold again settles over Europe. The old threat of widespread bombing of Great Britain and France, the boast that what Germany did to Poland can be done again and all the other menaces which have been made against the Allies simply fail to curdle their blood, for the simple reason that the Allies naturally ask what Germany thinks they will be doing once she starts to carry out her threats. It is the knowledge that they can mete out just as good as they receive which keeps Herr Hitler in a state of hesitancy. The Allies have definitely proved to the world at large that there is not one part of Germany which their aeroplanes cannot reach, and in their determination to win this war they are fixed in their purpose to exchange blow for blow with little extra to boot. The idleness which has thus been thrust upon Germany is reported already to be having its effect. Neutral correspondents report that German public opinion is becoming impatient for a decisive blow to be struck against the Allies. Nazi leaders, however, no longer assert that it is up to the Reich to take the initiative, contenting themselves by merely declaring that Germany would make appropriate reply to any initiative taken by the Allies. The vacillation which it thus shown to exist is entirely due to opportunities which the Germans have missed, and realization of the fact that the Allies are daily growing in strength to such an extent that whatever might have been possible seven months ago is no longer so. It would not, however, be wise to expect that deteriorating conditions in Germany have yet reached the stage where sheer desperation will force Herr Hitler to act. It is more to be expected that in the not too distant future he will again embark upon another of his peace offensives, for he would dearly like to extricate himself from the mess into which his megalomaniac ambitions have landed him.

The recent reshuffling of the British Cabinet, the elevation of Mr. Winston Churchill to a position which practically places him in full control of the prosecution of the war, and the fact that he is a man devoted to the most energetic methods are all indications that a profound change is about to come over the manner in which the Allies have been conducting the campaign. The tightening of the blockade which is to be confidently expected, even though it might prejudice some of the rights of the neutrals adjacent to Germany, is all part and parcel of a vigorous policy which alone is popular amongst the Allies. As much consideration will be given to the neutrals as possible, but with Germany fighting a totalitarian war, the Allies are forced to follow suit. It will not be necessary for the Allies to sink neutral shipping, or murder members of its inoffensive crews. That can safely be left to the Nazis who apparently delight in so doing. But the Allies will have to stop every leakage of contraband goods into Germany on the one hand, and of exports out of Germany on the other, even if in the process the neutrals are subjected to no small amount of inconvenience. It must be apparent to those neutrals who favour the Allied cause, because it is in fact their own, that the quicker this war is brought to a conclusion, in an Allied victory the better will it be for everyone. Consequently the more effective the blockade is made the shorter should be the duration of the war, for that almost wholly depends upon the time when the shortage of those foodstuffs, which are now being used for making war materials instead of nourishing the people, brings about a general realization in Germany of the futility of prolonging the struggle. There are signs that the economic weapon is already having its effect. That is expected to become more imposing as the months go by, and even if a good harvest this year helps Germany to face a second winter, it will only have the effect of postponing the evil day when an under-nourished nation asks itself what is the use of following a bunch of leaders who can neither give them victory nor food enough.

War on the Air

It is greatly to be regretted that some person unknown has interfered with a local broadcasting station, and endeavouring to prevent the broadcast of views by a commentator who has acquired a very considerable reputation in Shanghai. It appears that the interference commenced some five or six days ago, and as it was at first confined to the times of Mr. Carroll D. Alcott's broadcasts it is to be assumed it was directed against him personally, and the views which he has been expressing. It is not particularly difficult nowadays to ascertain the locality from which interference may be dispersed, and there is evidence to suggest that it comes from a station north of the Soochow Creek. If as it is believed this is being done because of the trend of Mr. Alcott's comments on municipal matters it is most deeply to be regretted. It is a significant fact that ever since the commencement of the European war there has been some sort of tacit agreement not to interfere with the broadcasts of the various nations at war, despite the fact that it would be very easy to do so. The reasons for this tacit agreement are too clear to need recapitulation here, but they are precisely the same as should apply in Shanghai. If every station emitting political views unacceptable to the owners or controllers of another is to be subjected to this type of interference it takes very little imagination to see that in a very short while conditions on the air would be absolutely chaotic. Already consular representations have been made on the subject, and it is to be hoped that these will lead to something being done to restore the inviolability of the air, and avert a clash of interests in which every station may be found endeavouring to put the others out of business. Political feeling in Shanghai is running high enough as it is, and everything which is likely to exacerbate it should be firmly suppressed. It is not conducive of the best for everyone that things of this sort should be permitted, and it is hoped that action will be taken for the stoppage of a practice which ought never to have been commenced.

The Safest Drivers

Motor drivers get safer as they grow older, except for a slight lapse in middle age, is the finding of a couple of experts in London who have been making a study of accident proneness amongst motor drivers. They form the opinion that the rise in the accident rate in middle age was due to the fact that advancing age may come almost imperceptibly upon people, so that they continue to take the same risks as they did in earlier years. When they become definitely old they realize that this can no longer be done, and so take fewer chances. The compilers of the report which has just been issued summarize their conclusions as follow:—

Those who fail in certain psychological tests have a higher average accident rate than those who pass, and those who had an undue number of accidents in their initial period of exposure tend to have a higher subsequent accident rate than others.

Experience, although it lessens accident rate, does affect differences between those who are specially prone and others. The former always have a higher accident rate than the others.

It almost seems to follow from the above that the only safe drivers are those well on in years, and who have never shown a proneness to accident, for clearly if a young man has shown himself as something of a accident fan even the passing of years fails to bring about any amendment of his behaviour. If the experts who are responsible for this report had had the opportunity of going into the matter of accidents in Shanghai they would probably have come to the conclusion, that judging from the accidents and their frequency, some of Shanghai's drivers must either be suffering from perennial youth or have been caught in some middle age from which there is no escape. But even that is unlikely to cause the Municipal Council to pass a regulation insisting that no driver of a motor car in Shanghai shall be less than the tender age of sixty or thereabouts.

League and T. B.

The treatment of tuberculosis in rural areas is one of the unsolved problems of medicine to which the health organization of the League of Nations has been drawing attention. The Tuberculosis Commission of the Health Organization has for the past five years been stimulating the collection of statistics with regard to tuberculosis mortality in different countries and analysing information about the incidence of this disease with a view to suggesting appropriate treatment. Statistics of mortality due to tuberculosis in urban and rural districts are studied for some eighteen countries or districts, beginning with Finland and Sweden, whose statistics in this regard are the oldest in the world. The figures show that, generally speaking, tuberculosis mortality, which was formerly higher in towns than in country areas, has decreased more markedly and earlier in the former. This difference is, however, not absolute, and the incidence of tuberculosis in rural areas cannot be considered as entirely separate from the problem in towns. The Tuberculosis Commission of the Health Organization showed that the rate of mortality in towns was kept relatively higher through the immigration of country-dwellers who were not immunised to the disease and who became infected and died in the towns. Further, it is probable that registration of causes of death may be more exact in towns; in addition, the towns offer better hospital facilities, with the result that patients from country districts may enter urban hospitals and die there. It seems clear that tuberculisation in country districts is still less complete than in the towns. The countries with the highest proportion of country-dwellers now show the highest tuberculosis mortality. In the most highly urbanised countries, on the other hand, tuberculosis mortality rates declined considerably, and remarkably low levels were reached, first in England, Scotland, Belgium and the Netherlands, and later in Germany, the north-eastern corner of the United States, Australia and New Zealand. In countries which are partially urbanised, or where urbanisation is slow, the mortality rate is more or less stationary: France, Spain, Austria, Ireland before 1914, Sweden, Czecho-Slovakia and Japan. In short, the first contact with civilization and urban and industrial development tends to bring about an increase in tuberculosis mortality which makes itself felt first in the towns and later in the country. This increase is followed by a decline which also affects the towns before the country, the interval of time at which the rural rates follow the urban rates being in inverse proportion to the migration of population and transport facilities in the country concerned.

A Country Diary

Weihaiwei, Mar. 31.—This morning as I entered my garden I noted a flight of about 20 Plover wheeling in that beautiful downward spiral which indicates that they are about to alight: perhaps they were attracted by the newly-turned earth in which they delight to rest . . . for the earth-clods give them a perfect camouflage, and possibly afford them a meal: seen from below they appeared to be black and white in colour, but their wing-motion in perfect unison easily identified them. (By the way, I may be taken to task for not referring to them as a "dopping of Plover," for so they are called by sportsmen owing to their dipping or "dopping" flight, but I seldom use these technical phrases). Just as these migrants were some thirty feet from the ground, I was astonished to see the hindmost bird suddenly swerve sideways as the grey-brown body of a Falcon appeared as if by magic (possibly from my chimney-top) and hurled itself at terrific speed on the only loose bird: she missed by a matter of inches as the Plover dived into a deep ravine, to appear later flying round in a wide circle to rejoin its brethren: the Falcon all but struck the barbed-wire strands on top of my fence and had almost to "loop the loop" to avoid damage: this gave the Plovers their chance as they rose in a body, gaining height with incredible swiftness, and flying in a solid phalanx, well above the falcon, *but following its exact direction of flight.* So far as my eyes could follow them, the Falcon never attempted to rise . . . she was obviously too badly scared to attempt another attack on that solid body of high-flyers. It was a pretty example of aerial tactics, and it is obvious that among birds unity is strength.

U. of P.'s CHINA LIBRARY

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As a result of acquisitions during the past year the University of Pennsylvania Library (Philadelphia) now has copies of the great majority of Western works of fundamental importance in the Chinese field, with the exception of volumes which are out-of-print and some of the more expensive art publications. In addition, several thousand works in Chinese also have been acquired, thus providing a promising start toward the assembly of a comprehensive collection of books in that language.

According to Mr. C. Seymour Thompson, university librarian, the first steps toward strengthening the collections in the Chinese field were taken in the autumn of 1938 when the university started a greatly enlarged programme of Oriental studies in the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences. Coincident with the establishment of that programme, the university received a grant of $15,000 from the Rockefeller Foundation for the development of Far Eastern studies and for the acquisition of books on China, and it is this grant which is making possible the expansion of the special collections.

How rapid that expansion has been, Mr. Thompson pointed out, may be seen by a comparison of the university's past and present collections with the number of books and periodicals of fundamental importance in the Chinese field as contained in "A Union List of Selected Western Books on China in American Libraries."

Collection Built Up Comparatively Fast

Of the 350 book titles and 21 periodicals listed in that authoritative bibliography, which was compiled by Charles S. Gardner for the American Council of Learned Societies, the university library possessed less than half in 1938.

Today the holdings of the library include 292 of the book titles and nineteen of the periodicals, while in addition more than 100 other Western books on China not listed in Gardner's bibliography have been acquired, these latter covering a wide range of subjects including archaeology, art, history, philosophy, literature, music, economics and folklore. Of the newly acquired books in Chinese the main one is a copy of the world's largest encyclopedia, the Ku Chin T'u-shu Chi-ch'eng, or Complete Collection of Illustrations and Writings of Ancient and Modern Times.

Compiled under Imperial decree by a large group of Chinese scholars, this work was published first in 1726, in 10,000 books, comprising more than 800,000 pages and containing about 100,000,000 Chinese characters. The copy acquired by the library is a facsimile reprint in 800 volumes. The contents of the work with its 32 main divisions and 6,109 subdivisions, consist of illustrations and of excerpts culled from almost all works of Chinese literature, ancient and modern, and covering the entire field of Chinese learning as it existed in the 18th century.

IN PARENTHESIS

Fair Enough

"Excuse me, constable," said the meek little man on the street corner during the blackout. "I've been waiting for my wife for over an hour. Would you be kind enough to order me to move on?"

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She Understood

A chap was telephoning his evacuated wife.

"By the way, darling," he said, "I made a mistake the other night and walked into a flooded dugout. I was absolutely soaked."

"I'll bet you were," was his wife's reply. And he is still thinking it over.

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Her View

A bitter argument on household war time economy had just blown over. The husband was reading out of the newspaper.

"I see that out of every 100 persons fined for travelling without a ticket 75 per cent. are women."

"There!" exclaimed his better half, "that only goes to show that women are more economical than men."

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Guardian of the Gate

A sentry posted at the entrance to the general's quarters had orders to admit no one without a pass.

He stopped a lady about to enter. "Oh! but I'm the general's lady," she protested.

"Can't 'elp it, mum," said the sentry. "You couldn't go in without a pass if you were the general's wife."

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Stop Press

The newsboy went on shouting the news and selling papers while people dived into the air-raid shelters.

Twice the warden asked him to take shelter, and then, becoming exasperated, he shouted, "Look here, if you stand at this corner any longer you'll be in your own Stop Press before you know where you are."

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Ill-Bred

At a secondary school in the London area, which was still unopened, the scholars attended weekly for homework.

The manner in which the teachers spend their increased leisure, is, of course, no concern of the pupils, but the following notice was recently fixed to the school notice board:

"Bread is the staff of life and the life of the staff is one long loaf."

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Humour from Home

Speaking of friends, I once heard one girl say to another: "Believe me, dear, I pick my friends."

"Yes, dear—to pieces."

In the bar was a friend who was looking pretty sick.

"It's my stomach," he said.

"Is the doctor treating you?" I asked.

"No, he's charging me ten-and-six a visit."

My young nephew Roland has been getting into trouble again.

The teacher asked him, "Where is the population of England most dense?"

And he said, "Please, teacher, just above the ears."

My pal said he had got mixed up with the bottles in the medicine chest, and after a dose of something or other the pain was terrible.

So he rang up the doctor and said, "Doctor, I think I've made a mistake and taken the wrong medicine."

"Well," the doctor said, "that's your funeral!"

I was telling a chap the other night about the time I went to Egypt and the things I saw there.

"I saw the Sphinx," I told him.

"What's that?"

"Well, it's the head of a woman carved out of solid rock."

"Haw!" he said. "Why go to Egypt for that? I'm married to one."

You hear some funny things in the blackout. This is what I heard a man and a girl saying...

"And why do you think I'm a poor judge of human nature, Vera?"

"Because you've got such an opinion of yourself."

"There you go again! You're treating me like dirt—and I thought you were my best friend."

"Is that so?"

"It seems to me I've only got one friend in the world."

"Who's that?"

"My dog."

"Then why not get another couple of dogs?"

Roland Davies in the "Sunday Dispatch."

Allies Offer Help to Norway, Sweden

Attitude Clarified and Safeguards Given to Nordic States Against Soviet-German Threat; Definite Blockade Programme Now Revealed

London, Apr. 6.

BOTH in London and Paris today, the spotlight of diplomatic interest focussed on Norway and Sweden, where the Allied Notes forwarded yesterday brought early reactions. The Notes, French and British observers concurred, mark an historic turning-point in Allied war policy, for they go beyond formal notification of the Allied attitude and offer assistance should it be necessary.

The reaction in Oslo was immediate and the British Minister there called at the Foreign Ministry to explain various passages of the Note and give further information. Replies from Norway and Sweden are possible but not essential, for the Allied Notes do not formally call for an answer. Development of the economic war against Germany may now be expected at any moment, observers in the two Allied capitals asserted. The blockade will be extended from the sea to other domains, notably to the air, for the Reich of late has attempted to increase air commerce with the neutrals.

The two Notes were drafted at the March 28 Allied Supreme War Council, and form part of a large-scale plan which has already swung into operation, as evidenced by the gradual taking-over of the initiative from Herr Hitler.

Political quarters emphasized that the simultaneous despatch from Paris and London of the Notes to Oslo and Stockholm once again served as concrete denial of Berlin's hopeful but baseless allegations of secret Anglo-French opposition on various issues.

The French Government and people, just as much as the British, are determined to put an end to German violation of neutral territorial waters to secure immunity for her contraband commerce. France, just as much as Britain, is resolved that economic warfare against the Reich shall be total, for by no other means can effective answer be made to the Nazis' repeated violations of international law.

Full explanations on the Allies' more energetic economic war policy will be given in Parliament on Thursday during the secret session when Supreme War Council decisions will also come under review.

Ratification of Britain's policy, parallel to France's, will be voted by a huge majority, observers concluded, for the Allies foresee protective measures at the same time as they map out measures that may call down German wrath on the heads of neutrals.—Havas.

Details of Allied Offensive

London, Apr. 7.

The Allied diplomatic and economic offensive which is now under way falls into three parts:

1. Notes to Norway and Sweden about the intention of the Allies to intensify the blockade.
2. Conversations between M. Monnet, French Minister of Blockade, and Mr. R. H. Cross, British Minister of Economic Warfare, designed to tighten the blockade; and
3. Opening of talks tomorrow between Lord Halifax, Foreign Secretary, and British Ministers to the Balkans.

Reuter's Diplomatic correspondent learns that the British Notes to Norway and Sweden will contain no intimidating clauses, but will convey a statement and reservation of British rights in dealing with German attempts to use Scandinavian waters as a covered way for evading the blockade.

M. Monnet and Mr. Cross have already agreed to block some holes in the contraband control.

Foreign Office Conference

The conference at the Foreign Office between Lord Halifax and British Ministers to the Balkans, with the new Government trading organization (the English Commercial Corporation) behind it, will discuss how best the trade of the Balkans can be directed to Allied advantage, and divert every ton of vital material that might help Germany.

The correspondent further learns that the Conference will face the prospect that Dr. Hjalmar Schacht, former President of the Reichsbank, may have been brought back from seclusion to try to head off the Allied intentions, but the Allies are not worried by the prospect, because they possess the money, machinery, and determination to make their policy effective, and no financial wizard, it is contended, can resist this pressure with blocked currency and barter as his only weapons.

The Ministries of Supply and Economic Warfare are as much concerned with the proceedings of the Diplomatic Conference as the Foreign Office itself, and the Ministers from the Balkans will find themselves co-operating in an enterprise that far exceeds the bounds of diplomacy, as it is formerly understood.—Reuter.

Stockholm, Apr. 7.

Sweden will reply in due course to the Allies' Notes, although no specific

(Continued on page 8, col. 4)

Norway Will Fight For Liberties

M. Koht Expresses Full Confidence in Britain To Respect Neutrality

Oslo, Apr. 7.

"We cannot think of any war which Norway might enter except one which might be forced on us in order to defend our independence and freedom," declared the Foreign Minister, Mr. Halvdan Koht, in a statement to Parliament on foreign policy yesterday.

"We can only save ourselves from war by a policy of strict neutrality towards all sides. We have done this in our trade policy whereby all questions are regulated by agreements with belligerents based on the principle that we are trying as far as possible to maintain normal trade.

"We will defend our territorial waters against everybody who might enter them illegally.

"After the recent speeches by Mr. Chamberlain and Mr. Churchill I dare to feel confident that Britain does not intend to violate international law and our neutrality."

Alliance Issue Studied

Military authorities of Norway had been asked to consider the question of a northern military alliance, M. Koht declared. Norway had better withhold a decision until relations between Finland and the Soviet Union were clearer, he added.

He did not refer to a Note presented by Lord Halifax to the Norwegian Minister in London.

Referring to violations of Norwegian neutrality by foreign aircraft, M. Koht disclosed that 21 protests had been lodged with Britain, Russia and Germany.

"Violations which occurred recently cannot have been unintentional," he said. "We cannot continue with protests and will shoot down such planes."

Regarding sea warfare, the Foreign Minister said: "We lost 54 ships totalling over 120,000 tons and 392 men have been killed. About half of this number of ships were sunk by U-boats or other warships or by bombing planes."

Rebuke to Germany

Speaking of bombing attacks on the Norwegian steamer Mira, he continued: "We cannot agree that the Germans are entitled to behave in such a way even if the vessel was sailing under British protection.

Mentioning the Finnish war, M. Koht reiterated that Germany would have regarded it as hostile action if Norway had granted the Allies permission for troops to pass over Norwegian territory, or if Norway had helped Finland with armed forces. "Finland never asked us for military assistance," he stated.—Reuter.

Strikers in Frenzy, Officer Says

Lives of Concession Workers Endangered

Nkana, N. Rhodesia, Apr. 7.

Giving evidence at an inquest in the deaths of sixteen natives shot during a strike here April 3, Captain R. F. Jones, commander of troops at the scene, declared that if the frenzied strikers had gained entrance to compound buildings all inside would have been killed. The rioters had been given ample warning, he added.

Official figures give the number of wounded as 72. The situation is stated to be improving.

Troops fired on the native strikers in the Nkana concession after 3,000 of them tried to interfere with 150 others who were being paid.

Police first used tear gas bombs and when this failed to disperse the mob they fired in the air. The troopers then shot into the crowd in self-defence after they had suffered fourteen casualties from stoning.—Reuter.

Dutchman Still Held By Germans

Venlo Incident Remains Unsettled by Berlin

Amsterdam, Apr. 7.

There is still no definite information regarding the fate of a Dutch chauffeur named Lemmens who was taken across the Dutch border into Germany on November 25 last together with two Britons, Captain Stevens and Mr. Best, during the Venlo incident.

The two Britons are still in Germany awaiting trial on an espionage charge.

Despite demarches made through the Dutch Foreign Office by the wife of the chauffeur no definite information has been received. The Reich Chancellery merely replied that the woman's request was transmitted to the Gestapo officials. This leads to the belief that the man is still living.—Havas.

Germans Make First Attack on Lighthouses

U-Boat Watches Crew Drown After Sinking Norwegian Freighter

London, Apr. 7.

German aeroplanes have made their first attack on British lighthouses it was disclosed last night. Raiders returning from an unsuccessful attack on Scapa Flow machine-gunned Duncansby Head and Stroma lighthouses on the north-eastern coast of Scotland. Keepers heard bullets rattling on the lighthouse domes and saw the raiders flying low. No one was injured.—Reuter.

Raid Alarm in Orkneys

London, Apr. 7.

An air raid warning, which lasted fifteen minutes, was sounded in the Orkney Islands today. Royal Air Force pursuit planes took to the air, but it does not seem that any battle ensued.

The Norwegian steamer Navarra (2,118 tons) was torpedoed without warning by a German submarine off the northern coast of Scotland yesterday, it was announced here this morning. The vessel was sent to the bottom at 2.30 a.m. when at a point 30 miles off the coast. Fourteen survivors were rescued by the Finnish steamer Atlas (1,098 tons) which arrived at a British port yesterday evening. It is believed that three officers and nine members of the crew met their death. The submarine which torpedoed the Navarra remained on the surface for half an hour, but made no effort to save the crew of the freighter. Two lifeboats from the Navarra were put to sea but one of them capsized and only four of the sailors in it were rescued. The sunken steamer was built in Sunderland in 1920.—Havas.

R.A.F. Fly Over Reich

Berlin, Apr. 7.

The German High Command, in a communique today, admits that several enemy planes penetrated Germany to the north-west of Trier yesterday afternoon. The German air force, the communique continues, carried out reconnaissances over north and central France. A German Dornier reconnaissance plane, it adds, was attacked by four French Curtis machines, which abandoned the attack owing to shortage of petrol.—Reuter.

French Fly Over Reich

Paris, Apr. 7.

Aerial activities were curtailed by bad weather, although French planes succeeded in effecting two observation flights over Germany. German craft were sighted over French territory during the day.—Havas.

Fishing-Boats Machine-Gunned

Ostend, Apr. 6.

Three Belgian fishing-boats were machine-gunned by warplanes, as yet unidentified, off Zeebruge today, late evening reports announced. The nationality of the craft will be established when full evidence is given by the crews of the small ships.—Havas.

"Flying Pencils" Downed

With French Army, Apr. 7.

Two Dornier "flying pencils" were brought down by a French squadron operating on the western front.—Reuter.

Air Raid Alarm in France

Paris, Apr. 7.

Air raid sirens were sounded yesterday afternoon in north-western France. The all-clear signal was given half an hour later.

The western front was quiet on Saturday, states a communique issued by the French Army headquarters.

The only incident in the past 24 hours on the Western Front was the capture of a German prisoner from a reconnoitring patrol, which approached too near a French post west of the Vosges, according to a French communique.

Two wounded German airmen were found after lying with a dead companion for four days in the middle of a wood behind the French lines. They were found near the wreckage of a Dornier 17 which was shot down last Monday. Several French soldiers were killed or wounded in a German raid, it was reported yesterday. One of the wounded died later.

Fifteen thousand German soldiers, casualties from the western front, are in hospitals in Bohemia, the majority with frozen legs, many of which had to be amputated, states a message from the German frontier. Damp concrete of the Siegfried line during intense cold was the reason for the casualties, the message says.—Reuter.

Mr. Roosevelt Arrives At Hyde Park

New York, Apr. 7.

President Roosevelt arrived at his Hyde Park estate yesterday evening to spend the week-end. He will return to Washington on Monday.—Havas.

Mr. Churchill Most Hated in Germany Because Most Feared

Swedish, U.S. Observers Note Difference in Allied and Nazi Methods in War at Sea

London, Apr. 7.

The "Stockholm Social Demokraten" points out that Mr. Winston Churchill is the man the Germans hate most because he is most feared, states a special commentary on foreign press reactions.

It is difficult to say as yet whether Mr. Churchill's influence will strike the neutrals, but in any case Germany's responsibility for the deaths of nearly 1,000 neutral sailors deprives her of moral right to comment on violations of neutrality by the Allies, who have not caused a single neutral sailor's death, the paper says.

It is to be hoped, the journal goes on, that Britain will keep her promise in respect to neutral rights in blockade intensification, but one wonders why Britain should observe rules systematically broken by Germany.

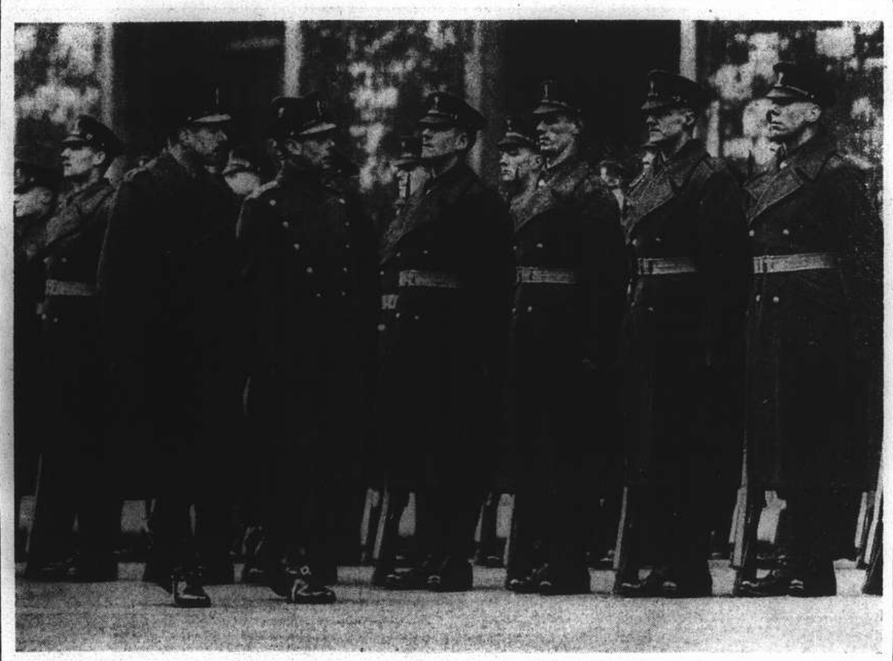
The "Gothenburg Ny Tid" says: "It is difficult to know the effectiveness of the blockade but descriptions from Germany show that her position is gradually becoming worse. The Allies intend to stop everything to shorten the war. This decision means that neutrals are threatened on both sides.

"We must acknowledge that threats are worse from Germany. The Allies' methods are much better for neutrals than sinking ships and killing seamen."

Nazis Worried by Blockade

A "New York Herald-Tribune" dispatch from Berlin headlined, "Nazis Worried by Trade War. Call Allied Competition Unfair," bespeaks the concern felt in Berlin over the future of the Reich's export and import trade, says the special commentary. Quotations from the "Deutsche Volkswirte," leading Berlin economic weekly, are described as listing the weak spots in the German armour against the Allied blockade.

An editorial in the "New York Herald-Tribune" on "Sitzkrieg versus Blitzkrieg" says the Allied strategy is sitzkrieg to be waged as intensively as geography permits until France and Britain have caught up with and outmatched German air power and have armies to back up their air threat. But if the prospect is both grim and tedious, it is worth remembering that on the present evidence the Germans can't win either, the paper declares.—Reuter.



His Majesty the King Inspects Welsh Guards

The King inspecting the guard of honour on his arrival at the Tower of London to present new colours to the Welsh Guards.

Nazi Economic System Shows Marked Deterioration

Allied Blockade Having Effect; Czech Areas Face Famine as Nazis Drain Away All Supplies

Berne, Apr. 6.

"THE situation appears to be worsening in Germany as the Allied blockade is drawn tighter," the newspaper "Libertè," of Friburg reported today in a review of the past week's war activities.

"The Allies, are announcing their determination to enclose neutrals in their blockade if these countries do not stop trafficking with the Riech. Germany meanwhile reveals herself that her maritime warfare has less and less effect in preventing the supply of the Allies. The Allies therefore become stronger while the Reich weakens day by day and in the long run, the German troops cannot remain in fighting trim under these conditions."—Havas.

Belgrade, Apr. 7.

Germany's economic situation was outlined today by the editor of the "Politika" who has just returned from a visit to the Reich which he undertook upon the invitation of the German Government.

The country's products, he states, are divided into four groups:—

1. Those being sold freely, such as toys, cosmetics, books, and curios.
2. Those sold without special cards but in limited quantities. These include ersatz tea and coffee, milk, tobacco, vegetables and fruits.
3. Those sold only on presentation of ration cards.
4. Those officially admitted as non-existent in the Reich, such as coffee, tea, pepper and all colonial products.

Besides industrial workers, children and expectant mothers, all of whom receive special rations, every German citizen receives the following amounts of food each week: 300 grammes of meat, 100 of jam, 250 of sugar, 125 of butter, 80 of margarine, and 125 grammes of cheese. Every month he gets three kilogrammes of bread, two eggs, half a kilogramme of macaroni and half a kilogramme of beans. The "clothes card" is divided into 100 points and is good for one year.

As far as foodtsuffs are concerned, the writer says, German officials assert that the Reich has sufficient grain stocks for a year and a half on condition that this year's crop is abundant.

As for clothes, special measures have been elaborated for the summer. Men will have to wear shirts with short sleeves or without any sleeves at all. Women will not be allowed to wear stockings.

The population, he states in conclusion, is dissatisfied at the lack of supplies.—Havas.

Famine in Czech Areas

Berne, Apr. 7.

The protectorate of Bohemia and Moravia is faced with starvation, all of its wheat having been requisitioned by the German authorities.

The German influence is gaining more and more in the protectorate. Besides the 480,000 German soldiers, Storm-Troopers, and Gestapo men there at present, thousands of German school-children are to arrive shortly. The local authorities have already been ordered to reserve some of the best schools in the protectorate for these children.—Havas.

Ruthless Blockade Imminent

Complete Agreement on Next Steps Reached in London Conferences

London, Apr. 6.

Perfect identity of views between France and Great Britain on tightening the blockade was brought to the fore once again today at the close of consultations held by the Economic Warfare Minister, Mr. Ronald H. Cross, and the French Blockade Minister, M. Georges Monnet.

"M. Monnet and Mr. Cross held two meetings yesterday and today," an official communique announced. "They reviewed all important questions of interest to them. These discussions "showed perfect identity of views and their two Governments' common determination to increase their co-operation in all domains of economic warfare."—Havas.

Rutheless Blockade Imminent

London, Apr. 7.

Two Franco-British conferences have resulted in completed plans for the establishment of an immediate, ruthless blockade against Germany in all possible spheres, including the Pacific, it was reported here last night. Simultaneously, the Allies agreed to carry on a trade drive with Germany's neighbours to prevent the shipment of mineral oils, and fats to Germany, it was said.

The decision was said to have followed the British action informing Norway and Sweden that the interest of the Allies in Scandinavia had been increased by the Soviet victory over Finland, and that the Allies had decided to take a firm stand against either the entry of Scandinavia into the German orbit, or any Russian bid for Scandinavian ports in the Atlantic.

The Allied decision to extend the blockade followed conferences between Mr. Ronald Hibbert Cross, the British Minister of Economic Warfare, and M. Georges Monnet, the French Blockade Minister, it was said. During these conferences, it was reported, details were worked out for sealing leaks and loop-holes in the Allied blockade. It was reported that the Scandinavian iron ore problem and the shipments of oil to Germany by Russia were in the forefront of the discussions.

Significant Statement

It was considered significant here, that M. Monnet, in a speech at the Ministry of Economic Warfare on Friday night, declared, "We are taking new measures to choke Germany more and more." He asserted that the ever-tightening grip of the Allied blockade was causing internal difficulties in Germany's heavy industries. "The lack of essential supplies is already resulting in unemployment," he declared.

Referring to the Anglo-French trade drive, M. Monnet said the Allies were prepared to buy materials, even if they did not require them for their own use, if they thought they were essential war materials for Germany. "We have indisputable proof that the blockade has already effected Germany."

Regarding neutrals, M. Monnet emphasized that the French Government does not intend to harm the legitimate interests of neutral nations, "but the Allies have every right to take all measures which lessen the military capacity of Germany. With the total wars of today there is no such thing as total neutrality."

Indicating that the Allies have no intention of beginning a military offensive at present, the French Blockade Minister said, "The blockade means we can finish the war more quickly by weakening Germany until a point is reached when we can strike a decisive blow."—United Press.

Anglo-Dutch Trade

Amsterdam, Apr. 7.

The Anglo-Dutch trade agreement is made effective by two decrees. The first names various goods whose importation is forbidden unless licences are obtained. The second decree deals with exports.—Reuter.

Nazi Ten-Year Plan Of Conquest

Ambitious Programme Revealed in London

London, Apr. 7.

A Nazi ten-year plan to conquer Europe, first discovered by the Czech police during a raid in 1938 on the headquarters in Prague of Herr Henlein, then Sudeten leader in Czechoslovakia, was issued today by the Ministry of Information in the form of a coloured poster.

The programme of acquisition, according to this document, is as follows: Austria and Czechoslovakia in 1938; Poland and Hungary in 1939; Rumania, Yugoslavia and Bulgaria in 1940; Denmark, Holland, Belgium, Switzerland, the Ukraine, and northern France in 1941; Scandinavia and Portugal later, and Great Britain before 1948.

Copies of the time-table were sent secretly to organizers of the Nazi Party in Austria, and later to Czechoslovakia, with detailed instructions to select their tools and foment campaigns of disobedience to ruling governments, adds the Ministry of Information.—Reuter.

Honolulu to Have Black-out

Honolulu, Apr. 7.

Honolulu will be given a "sample" of the European War next month, according to Chief Engineer B. F. Bush, who announced today he had made arrangements for civilian co-operation in a proposed territorial black-out to be held between 8.30 p.m. and 9 p.m., May 23. During the black-out, manœuvring Army planes of the Hawaiian Department will drop flares.—United Press.

British Army Nears 3,000,000 Mark

London, Apr. 6.

A contingent of 314,430 Britons of 25 years of age or else belonging to the class that has reached 20 since the last military registration, today, registered their names for military service.

The number announced was provisional, the Ministry of Labour and National Service emphasized. There were only 4,431 conscientious objectors throughout the country, the lowest percentage registered since the institution of compulsory military service.—Havas.

Army Nearly 3,000,000

London, Apr. 7.

The British Army is expected to total 3,000,000 men by the end of June and a possible 5,000,000 by the end of 1940, authorized sources revealed here last night. An additional 300,000 26-year-olds will register on April 27. It was believed that the 27-year-old class would register some time in June.—United Press.

British Navy Alert In Adriatic

German Freighter Ready To Leave Yugoslav Port For Trieste Fully Loaded

Belgrade, Apr. 7.

The centre of interest in the Balkans today is the expected departure from Dubrovnik (Yugoslavia) of the 8,000-ton German freighter Ankara, loaded with a cargo of 5,000 tons of bauxite.

With British warships reported in the Adriatic to strengthen the Allies' blockade of the Reich, the success or failure of the German vessel to reach Trieste, its destination, is of considerable importance to Germany in her bid for foreign raw material.

The master of the Ankara tried in vain to enlist the services of a Yugoslav pilot with the object of hugging the coast of Yugoslavia until Trieste is reached, a dangerous move owing to the treacherous reefs abounding in these waters.

There are therefore three possibilities open to the vessel: she can abandon the trip, run the risk of foundering by navigating in Yugoslav waters without a pilot, or take to the open sea and risk being intercepted by an enemy warship.

Captain Frank, skipper of the Ankara, has completed all the formalities for departure with the assistance of the German Consul at Sarajevo and the German Legation in Belgrade.

Officers of the Italian vessel Americo Vespucci, which arrived in Dubrovrik today, stated they saw a cruiser in the Straits of Otranto heading northwards. Furthermore, it is reported that two British submarines are cruising near the Vis Islands.

The chances of the Ankara outspeeding any war vessel are nil, for the ship's top speed is sixteen knots. Manned by a crew of 37 men, the ship belongs to the Deutsche Levant Linie.—Havas.

First Blind Flight in Aviation History

Langley Field, Va., Apr. 7.

The first totally "blind" flight in the history of aviation was completed yesterday when a 22½-ton Army bomber landed here after a trip from Mitchell Field, New York. The pilot took off, flew and landed entirely by means of instruments. The landing was not bumpier than under normal conditions.—Reuter.

American Leaders Stress U.S. To Stay Out of War

Army Day and 23rd Anniversary of World War Entry Observed; Neutrality Emphasized

Washington, Apr. 7.

THE determination of the United States to stay out of the European conflict was stressed here today by the Secretary of War, Mr. Harry H. Woodring, in a speech delivered on the occasion of Army Day. "All our efforts must be aimed at obtaining that strength which will make it possible for us to avoid the necessity of entering the war," he said. "Our military preparations must be inspired by the will to maintain peace and not by the idea of engaging in a conflict. No country can speak in favour of peace with greater authority than our country has, and all Americans are determined to speak with this authority in favour of peace in the Western hemisphere."

"Twenty three years ago today the United States entered into the great armed conflict which held the world in its terrible claws from 1914 to 1918. Our armies, and those of the countries which fought with us, finally came out victorious. However, I do not believe that we should celebrate, but rather commemorate the date of our entry into military effort the importance of which engaged too many mutilated corpses, too many homes which are still suffering from it, and resulted in too great a material, economic and spiritual blow for our American people."

Finally, the Secretary of War outlined the strengthening of the country's armaments during the past year, and defended the Government's rearmament policy, particularly the deliveries of war material and planes to foreign Governments.—Havas.

Mr. Farley on Keeping Out

Jackson, Miss., Apr. 6.

"There is not a chance in the world that the United States will enter the war because Congress itself would oppose such action," the Postmaster-General, Mr. James A. Farley, possible Democrat presidential candidate, assisted today in a speech before the Congress of Mississippi State Post Directors.—Havas.

Mr. McNutt on Neutrality

Milwaukee, Apr. 7.

A neutrality policy for the United States supported by impregnable land, sea and air defences was advocated by Mr. Paul V. McNutt, Federal Security Administrator and former High Commissioner to the Philippines, in an Army Day address here yesterday.

Mr. McNutt warned against the dangers of isolation. History, he said, has taught that it is folly to attempt to withdraw from relations with other nations. "Attempts to do so," he declared, "embrace perils too grave to risk. It should not be forgotten that isolation on the part of the European powers is the principal cause of the present catastrophe.

"Isolation creates war conditions because it strangles world trade, which in turn beats down the standard of living in all nations effected. The nation seeking to isolate itself makes a heavy contribution to the disruption of international economy.... Economic nationalism also precipitates acute internal distress. The failure of isolationist economy forces nations upon desperate careers of imperialism, which swiftly lead to international conflict."

The United States will undoubtedly be subjected to unexpected strains, "some of them dangerous to our peace and security," by events abroad, Mr. McNutt declared.—United Press.

Army Day Parades

New York, Apr. 7.

While the 23rd anniversary of the entrance of the United States into the World War was celebrated throughout the country yesterday, with 50,000 war veterans and others marching up Fifth Avenue, New York, the present mood of the nation, without doubt, is against United States involvement in the European struggle.

A number of Senators expressed the prevailing national feeling in speeches and private statements. Senator George W. Morris, Nebraska Farm-Labourite, said, "If the parade should foretell our going to war, crepe should be displayed instead of guns."

All diplomas should stress the American slogan, "Millions for defence but not one boy on foreign soil," Senator Arthur H. Vandenberg Michigan Republican, said.

Senator Homer T. Bone, Washington Democrat, insisted that the United States possesses safeguards against involvement in the Europe war.

"There is no reason for fear and hysteria at this time to sweep the United States into war," Senator Robert A. Taft, Ohio Republican, declared.

President Roosevelt, while giving his "thanks and congratulations" to the Army for their "splendid reorganization" in a proclamation stressed the Army's participation in peaceful rescue works, floods and tornadoes.

Press Stresses Neutrality

The press also emphasized the need for American preparedness, while urging strict neutrality.

"The Nation's duty is to keep its bright steel sword shining and not rusty," the "New York Times" declared.

The "New York Sun" emphasized that the United States armed forces are not a militarist menace, but a "gigantic educational enterprise designed to fit young men today to meet tomorrow's need."

Revieving the reasons for the participation of the United States in the last war, the "Daily Mirror" said "Again pious America preaches peace

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Australia to Train Vast Air Force

"Old War Birds, Young Fledglings" Will Be Equal to Great Task

Melbourne, Apr. 7.

The Minister for Air, (Mr. Fairbairn), announced that an Australian Army Co-operation Squadron to accompany the Army Corps oversea was already trained and would join the 6th Division as soon as aircraft could be made available in Palestine.

"The urgency to send the men abroad is not so much to train the squadron, but to have them in Palestine to help train the 6th Division," Mr. Fairbairn said.

Comprising about 22 officers and 200 other ranks, the Army Co-operation Squadron is organized on the same basis as other Royal Australian Air Force squadrons. It is composed of a headquarters' Flight and three flying Flights. Headquarters' Flight contains the specialist sections-armament, wireless, photographic, squadron workshops and unit stores.

Each flying flight is equipped with about four to six aircraft, and staffed with about six pilots and observers and the necessary ground personnel.

In obtaining information for the army formation to which it is attached, the squadron is principally occupied with reconnaissance. This is of two types:—

1. Strategical reconnaissance, which is normally carried out in areas distant from the immediate location of the army formation;
2. Tactical reconnaissance, which is in the immediate theatre of operations when the armies are actually in contact.—Reuter.

Air Force Effort Described

Melbourne, Apr. 7.

Australia's proposed contribution to Empire air power was described by the Minister for Air, Mr. Fairbairn, in a broadcast.

For Australia he said, what they were planning to do was a colossal undertaking, but he was confident that the Royal Australian Air Force, with the assistance of hundreds of old war birds and thousands of young fledglings, would be equal to the task.

Mr. Fairbairn said that under the original Empire scheme advanced training in Canada would have cost Australia £51,300,000, placing a great additional strain upon the country's already very severely strained dollar exchange. Under the altered proposal their training in Canada would cost only £11,400,000.

As a result, the £40,000,000 which would have been spent overseas would now be spent in Australia, thus increasing Australia's financial ability to play her part in democracy's struggle for existence. Because training in Australia was very much cheaper than training in Canada, owing to climatic conditions and the number of civil aerodromes developed prior to the outbreak of war, the total cost to Australia also would be considerably less.

Immense Training Scheme

The Minister went on to say that Australia's undertaking in this Empire scheme was to put into training as pilots, observers and tar gunners during the next three years over 20,000 young men between the ages of 18 and 32.

The organization necessary for this training would require also no fewer than 27,000 ground personnel. The most urgent requirement in the next few months would be large numbers of young men with some mechanical experience, to train as aircraft fitters. The air crew would begin their training as aircraftsmen. On completion of training 50 per cent. of the pilots and observers would be commissioned as pilot officers and the other 50 per cent. would have the rank of sergeant. Of the air gunners, approximately ten per cent. will be commissioned and the balance will have the rank of leading aircraftsmen.

Future Service in R.A.F.

All through their service the men would remain members of the Royal Australian Air Force, although on completion of their training, they would serve with the Royal Air Force.

They would be grouped, however, in squadrons which would be called Australian, and which would be commanded as far as was practicable by Australian officers. These officers would serve on exchange with Royal Air Force officers.

Mr. Fairbairn added that the scheme would necessitate the setting up of nearly forty air training schools, engineering schools, technical schools and repair depots.—Reuter.

Manchester Man Held For Stabbing

London, Apr. 7.

A 24-year-old Manchester man, Henry Ballantine Best, was remanded until April 12 on a charge of wounding with intent to murder Judge Edwin Burgis, Chairman of the Lancashire and Cheshire Conscientious Objectors' Tribunal, at Manchester. Judge Burgis was stabbed four times in the back at a station while awaiting a train Friday night. He is in a serious condition.—Reuter.

Japan Honours Horses For Services in China Hostilities

260 Army Animals and Five Dogs Given Certificates Of Merit; Big Parade Held in Tokyo

Tokyo, Apr. 7.

Certificates of merit were granted by the War Office today to 260 Army horses and 5 dogs, which took part in the Japanese military campaign in China, as the nation observed "Horses' Day."

Included among the horses which received A class certificates was Hidemitsu, which was ridden by Col. Prince Tsunenori Kaya while he was in command of a detachment in the field.

While Horses' Day was observed throughout Japan and Manchoukuo today, a parade of 1,000 Army horses was held through the streets of Tokyo.

Earlier in the day, 1,000 school children of both sexes gathered at the Yoyogi Parade Grounds at a meeting sponsored by the Ministry of War and the Ministry of Forestry and Agriculture. Students of the Ichigaya Youths' School, non-commissioned officers of the preparatory course of the Military Academy and cavalry troops gave a horse show including a mimic charge with drawn sabres.

Five thousand children also visited Army barracks and other military institutions to feed carrots to horses, while horses drawing carts on the streets were also given their favourite delicacy by children standing at corners and near railway station yards.—Domei.

Italy to Recognize Nanking

Announcement a Matter Of Time; Argentina and Brazil Chary

Rome, Apr. 7.

Italy has decided to extend recognition to the reorganized National Government of China "at an appropriate time," it was authoritatively announced here yesterday. The formal proclamation of such action, the announcement continued, was "a matter of time."

The telegram sent Mr. Wang Ching-wei by Count Galeazzo Ciano, Italian Foreign Minister, last autumn, announcing Italy's intention to co-operate with Japan in the establishment of a new order in East Asia should be regarded as an official expression of the intention of the Italian Government to recognize the new administration, the announcement said.—Domei.

The Argentine View

Buenos Aires, Apr. 7.

Although the friendliest relations have been maintained between Argentina and Japan, particularly since the signing of the new trade treaty, officials of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs yesterday said they did not believe it likely that the Argentine Government would recognize the new Nanking Government of Mr. Wang Ching-wei at present.

They pointed out that Argentine-Chinese relations have never been important and will continue that way, with Argentine maintaining a non-committal attitude toward the new Nanking Government.—United Press.

Brazil Silent on Question

Rio de Janeiro, Apr. 7.

The Foreign Office yesterday told the United Press that no statement could be made at present on the subject of the recognition of the new Nanking Government of Mr. Wang Ching-wei.

Unofficial sources, however, said they believed Brazil would join the common American trend in the matter. Mr. Wang's government will not be recognized unless, or until it can be legally considered *de jure*, they declared.—United Press.

Bishop Appeals to Catholics

Chungking, Apr. 7.

In an appeal addressed to Catholics in Nanking, Bishop Yu Pin urges them to oppose Mr. Wang Ching-wei's regime, and to support the legitimate National Government at Chungking. He also asks them to be prepared to make sacrifices for their country. Bishop Yu Pin closes his appeal with the declaration: "The day of the Chinese victory will also be the day of victory for justice."—Reuter.

General Yen Denounces Nanking

Chungking, Apr. 7.

General Yen Hsi-shen, Commander-in-Chief of Chinese forces in the Shansi, Shensi and Hopei area, has issued a circular telegram denouncing the new regime established at Nanking under Mr. Wang Ching-wei.—Reuter.

Fire Breaks Out in Rumanian Oil Field

Bucharest, Apr. 7.

Fire broke out in a Prahova valley oil field last night causing tremendous damage to buildings and machinery. Police are investigating to ascertain the causes of the disaster.—Havas.

Russian Withdrawal in Finland Retarded

Snow Storms in Frozen North Prevent Traffic Movement

Helsinki, Apr. 7.

Heavy snow storms were delaying the withdrawal of Soviet troops from the Petsamo fronts, the newspaper "Hufvudstadsbladet" reported from Rovaniemi yesterday.

The snow was so heavy, the paper said, that the roads were completely blocked with the result that many automobiles, horse sleighs, and trucks were stuck. This made it impossible for the Russians to march seven kilometres daily as stipulated by the peace terms, it was said.

It was reported that Finnish troops were in direct contact yesterday with the Russians, who were estimated at two divisions strong, but no incidents were reported to have occurred.

The weather is now becoming moderate and the roads are expected to be reopened within the next couple of days. The Finns are at present in Ylaeluostari, about 30 kilometres from the coast.—United Press.

Past for M. Paasikivi

Helsinki, Apr. 7.

It is learned that M. Juho Paasikivi, the Finnish statesman who played the most important part in the negotiations between his country and Finland which led to the conclusion of peace, may be appointed Minister to Soviet Russia shortly.—Havas.

U.S. Airwoman Sets World Record

Burbank, Calif., Apr. 7.

Miss Jacqueline Cochrane, famous American airwoman, on Saturday unofficially established a new world's speed record over a 2,000 kilometre course when she sent her all metal monoplane through the air at 331 miles an hour. The old world's record of 311.172 miles an hour was held by Herr Ernst Seibert, of Germany.—United Press.

R.A.F. Flier Tells Of Lucky Rescue

Trawler Fishes Pilot Out of Sea in Nick of Time Off English Coast

London, Apr. 7.

After three days in hospital, the pilot of the first Spitfire brought down at sea while defending British coasts told last night how he was trapped in his rapidly-sinking machine.

He attacked a Heinkel twelve miles from the Yorkshire coast, saw it crash on the water and the crew picked up by a trawler. He then reported by radio telephone that his own plane was afire.

"I reported that I was landed," he said. "I stalled on the water at 65 miles an hour with a loud crash and the plane immediately dug its nose in and came to a vertical position tail up and sank immediately. My next clear recollection is that I was below the surface and everything appeared green.

"I unfastened my harness and began to get clear but my parachute got under the sliding roof. I finally got clear. The pressure was very great and the green light had changed to black. By the time I reached the surface my lungs had reached the limit. I tried to put more air into my lifejacket but this was impossible as I was winded. The weight of my clothing was increasing rapidly when I caught a glimpse of a trawler coming in my direction."

The trawler hauled the pilot aboard with a boat hook in the nick of time.—Reuter.

U.S. Leaders Welcome Overtures to Mexico

Mexican Nationalists Show Animosity and Opposition

Washington, Apr. 7.

Members of the House Foreign Affairs Committee yesterday warmly approved the Note sent to Mexico by Mr. Cordell Hull, the Secretary of State, suggesting that the Mexican oil expropriations question be submitted to arbitration.

Mr. Sol Bloom, New York Democrat, said the plan was "sensible" and he hoped it would succeed. The Republican Representative from New York, Mr. Hamilton Fish, said he favoured the note "if the American companies agree it is the proper procedure."

Lord Lothian, the British Ambassador in Washington, visited Mr. Hull, and it was understood he questioned the Secretary regarding details of the dispute with Mexico. It was reported that he reminded the State Department of Britain's vital interest in any proposed settlement of the issue.—United Press.

Mexicans Reticent

Mexico City, Apr. 7.

Mexican officials here yesterday declined to comment on the Note of the United States Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, regarding expropriated oil property, pending a personal study of the matter by the President, General Lazaro Cardenas.

Authoritative sources, however, stressed Mexico's historic opposition to the arbitration which Mr. Hull suggested. Mexicans, they said, have always considered the subject a purely internal question.

The official Revolutionary Party ordered mass meetings throughout the nation to protest against Mr. Hull's Note. The party organized a "Committee for the Defence of the Nation in its Struggle Against Imperialism," and proclaimed April 11 as "Nationalists' Day."—United Press.

Soviets Strengthen Far East

Hejho, Manchoukuo, Apr. 7.

Feverish activity was being witnessed along the 5,000-kilometre Soviet-Manchoukuo border today as the Russians launched a vast fortification construction programme coincident with the thawing of the frozen ground.

Scattered concrete pillboxes were apparently being connected into a vast network of fortifications similar to the German West Wall. Military observers here regarded the Soviet action as presaging a Red push towards the Balkans or the Near East before which the Soviets wished to secure their Far Eastern border.—Domei.

Britain, France to Set Up "Tourist System" for Machine Tools

Supply Minister Tells of Idea by French Colleague; Constant Use for Machinery

London, Apr. 6.

Great Britain today spends £1,000,000 daily on industrial construction work and her steel production has been doubled since the outbreak of war, the Supply Minister, Dr. Edward Leslie Burgin, announced today at Wolverhampton.

The situation is far different in Germany, he also pointed out, for the country itself possesses little raw materials and can import only very restricted amounts due to the Allied blockade. France and Britain meanwhile can purchase on all world markets.

The Supply Minister raised a new question in the course of his address, asserting: "Britain and France are considering a scheme for exchanging machine tools across the Channel.

"My colleague, Mr Raoul Dautry, French Armaments Minister, has asked me whether machine tools can be treated as tourists and whether, under return tickets, they could be sent across the Channel so that, if he has half a dozen milling machines and no use for them for three months, they can come to Britain's whereas if Britain has six vertical borers not wanted for three months, they can journey to France.

"The idea in principle is sound," Mr. Burgin asserted. "It means that every machine tool will be constantly employed if needed."—Havas.

King Holds First War Investiture

British submarine officers leaving Buckingham Palace, London, after receiving from the King the Distinguished Service Cross. Left to right: Lieut. J. D. Greene (Ursula), Lieut. John Eden (Spearfish) and Lieut. A. D. Piper (Ursula).

Italians Hoping to Stay Out of War

Press Hinting Possible Action Against Allies; Moscow Keeping Aloof

Rome, Apr. 7.

Despite the fact the Fascist press is urging Italian public opinion to be ready to face complications in Italy's foreign relations and mentioning the possibility of war breaking out against Britain and France over their decision to strengthen the blockade of Germany, the Italian people believe the conflict will remain limited to the three powers involved in it at present.

The Italian view of the Allies' decision corresponds to the German view, both emphasizing that France and Great Britain are determined to isolate the Reich. This, it is added here, would inevitably compel Germany to enforce some counter-measures, and these might even go as far as a military intervention in those Scandinavian or Balkan states "which violate international law by submitting to the Allies' demands."

Italian quarters are also extremely irritated by the presence of British warships in the Eastern Mediterranean and the Adriatic, the dispatch of the warships to these waters proving the determination of the Allies to strengthen their blockade of the Reich by every possible means.

Italy, it is asserted here, desires to increase her exports to Germany since the two countries are bound by a treaty of alliance and by powerful ties of friendship. Italy will therefore refuse the Allies' suggestions that neutral states curtail their trade with the Reich, while some rumours go so far as to assert that Italy is contemplating the possibility of having German merchant ships escorted by Italian men-of-war when on their way to the Reich.—Havas.

Rome-Moscow Rapprochement

Amsterdam, Apr. 7.

The impression prevails here that the principal object of the Brenner conference between Herr Hitler and Signor Mussolini, which was to effect a rapprochement between Italy and Soviet Russia, has been marred considerably by the bellicose tone of the recent speech delivered by M. Viacheslav Molotoff, the Soviet Foreign Commissar.

Since the conclusion of peace with Finland, Russia apparently wishes to curtail her interest in the affairs of Western Europe and does not desire to participate in the plans contemplated by the Reich. The situation on the Italian side is no clearer. Rome does not consider that the time has yet come for her to collaborate with Moscow. Neither has she decided on her attitude towards the Allies.—Havas.

American Leaders Stress U.S. to Stay Out of War

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and sells planes to the Allies." Commenting on a series of pictures showing war horrors, the newspaper said, "No American has yet seen modern war with his own eyes. Let's not see it. Let's sit this one out."—United Press.

Show of Armed Strength

New York, Apr. 6.

Thirty thousand men of the regular Army, National Guard, Navy and Air Force, and members of patriotic organizations, took part in an impressive parade along Fifth Avenue today to mark Army Day and incidentally, the 23rd anniversary of America's entry into the Great War on the side of the Allies.

A squadron of planes flew overhead while in the streets, throngs of New Yorkers cheered wildly as the troops marched by, headed by General Hugh Drum, commander of the Second Corps.

War material paraded today included 155mm. guns capable of hurling 95-pound shells a distance of ten miles, a column of supply and special service trucks, and a number of recently-built machines which rig up telephone lines in extra-quick time.—Havas.

American Preparedness

New York, Apr. 7.

"If we ever face another war our most effective weapon of defence will be the ability of American industries to supply munitions and equipment," declared Mr. Louis Johnson, Assistant Secretary of War.

"In spite of all measures now available about fifteen months would elapse before an army of a million men could be adequately supplied with the more critical items of ordnance and equipment."

Mr. Johnson said the aviation industry was the one vital exception to his statement of war industry unpreparedness.—Reuter.

Mauretania Leaves Honolulu

Honolulu, Apr. 7.

The Mauretania left for an undisclosed destination after refuelling. Her commander, Captain Edkin, stated: "We are on a mission but not as a warship."—Reuter.

Allies Offer Help to Norway, Sweden

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request was made for a reply, Reuter learns. Sweden and Norway may first exchange views or Norway may await Sweden's answer before sending her own reply.

Authoritative quarters state that the British Note does not ask Sweden and Norway to take immediate measures nor does it envisage Anglo-French measures, but is mainly a general statement of the Allies' point of view.

Reference is made to the possibility that Norway and Sweden might seek German assurances, prompted by fear of a Russian attack. It is stated that the Allies would regard such action unfavourably. The question of iron ore was scarcely mentioned.—Reuter.

Reich Threaens Norway

Copenhagen, Apr. 6.

The Norwegian Government's attention has already been drawn by German diplomatic quarters to the "consequences" that may be caused by British "violation of Norwegian neutrality to secure military advantages in the fight against Germany," the "Berlingske Tidende" Berlin correspondent reported today.

German diplomatic circles in Berlin, he added, are engaged nowadays in long discourses on the "complete accord" that allegedly reigns between Berlin, Rome and Moscow. Their agreement, these circles say, is absolute in regard to the policy that must be followed in the Balkans and to the pledges the three powers must assume in that region.

Commenting on this report, the "Berlingske Tidende" published an editorial which showed it attaches little truth to the German quarters' allegations. There is distinct contradiction, it pointed out, between Soviet Russia's aims on Bessarabia, wheat-growing former Russian province of Rumania, and Italy's policy as regards all her interests in the Balkans.—Havas.

Anxiety in Reich

Belgrade, Apr. 7.

Much anxiety has been aroused in the Reich by the Allies' Note to Sweden and Norway, the Berlin correspondent of the "Vreme" reported this morning.

"Official quarters state that there will be an intensification of the blockade in the North Sea, and even within Swedish and Norwegian territorial waters," he declared. "Well-informed circles in Berlin expect that Great Britain will ask Sweden and Norway to limit their trade with the Reich, and it is precisely for this reason that the situation is a serious, if not tragic, one. Germany will closely watch all developments."—Havas.

Berlin Awaits Reactions

Berlin, Apr. 7.

Authorized quarters here yesterday termed the Allied Notes to Norway and Sweden notifying them of the Allied intention to intensify the blockade against Germany, as "a new act of intervention into Scandinavian affairs."

"We assume the role of attentive, interested spectators," they said, "and will watch how the Scandinavians react to this proof of the Allies' intention, activated by the desire to expand the war even at the cost of neutrals. The conspicuous unanimity of opinion of the Norwegian and Swedish press that the Notes contain no threats and merely apply to general problems almost leads us to believe that these press reports are being used deliberately to cover up the feeling of insecurity which the Notes have aroused."—United Press.

France Tightens Food Control

Paris, Apr. 7.

Control of the food situation in France was further tightened yesterday by a ministerial decree published in the official journal requiring all persons possessing more than 500 kilograms of sugar to make a declaration of their holdings.

The declarations will be established according to departments and must be addressed to military authorities charged with the control of supplies. No judicial punishment was envisaged for the possession of more than 500 kilograms of sugar.—United Press.

Cyclone Almost Destroys Town in Louisiana

Floods Take Toll in Turkey, Rumania; Drought in Colombia

New Orleans, La., Apr. 7.

A violent cyclone swept through the town of Amity, in Louisiana, practically destroying it. The number of victims has not yet been ascertained but is believed to be great. Red Cross units have been rushed to the scene of the disaster.—Havas.

Pennsylvania Floods Subside

Wilkes Barre, Pa., Apr. 7.

Residents along the Susquehanna River were relieved of anxiety on Saturday as a second high water crest passed without adding materially to the hardships and damage caused by the flood earlier this week. The thirteenth victim was added to the death toll with the drowning of Miss Anne Lucille White, 25-year-old resident of Athens, Pa., who perished while watching the rising headwaters.—United Press.

Rumanian Ports Flooded

Bucharest, Apr. 7.

Two Rumanian ports most suitable for export of cereals to Germany, namely Calafat and Torabia, are flooded owing to the rise of the Danube. The railway administration ordered that no merchandise is to be sent to these ports while the floods last.—Reuter.

Drought in Colombia

Bogota, Colombia, Apr. 7.

The worst drought in twenty years caused authorities here yesterday greatly to reduce operations of power plants. Elevators were halted, newspapers issued tiny emergency editions, and banks, shops, etc., were closed. Work in petroleum mines, and even radio broadcasts, were halted.—United Press.

Turkish Villages Destroyed

Ankara, Apr. 7.

Thirty villages of the Amasia district have been completely destroyed by floods. No lives were lost but damage is very great. More than 20,000 people are homeless.—Reuter.

Turkey's Floods Receding

Ankara, Apr. 7.

The floods which affected several Turkish provinces during the past few days have started to recede, though at one time they were 21 feet over the low water mark.

Many villages are still completely under water while the city of Erzinjan, practically destroyed by the terrible earthquake of last December, is being threatened by the waters of the Tujan torrent. The drop in the water level of the Yechilirmak river and its tributaries has made it possible to draw up an estimate of the losses. Several bridges were washed away, many houses collapsed, a number of cattle were drowned, but there was no loss of human life. Many heroic feats were accomplished by rescuers, notably at Karamustapali, where 75 persons were saved from a hillock which was slowly being covered with water.—Havas.

HAILE Selassie, the former Emperor of Abyssinia, has bought a small ten horse-power motor car and is to be seen driving about in Bath, England. He has discarded his picturesque long flowing black cloak in public and now wears a Melton overcoat and a Homburg hat. He has bought the little saloon car as a measure of economy and is very proud of it. He has made his home in a suburban house in a district where live Bath's well-to-do tradespeople and professional men. He lives almost frugally and no longer fulfils public engagements. He has never learned English but he follows the world events with great interest.

Hold-Up Men Operate On No. 1 Line Bus

Victim Relieved of $540; Thugs Escape

Displaying a considerable amount of daring, two men, both believed to have been armed, relieved a passenger of a line No. 1 bus of cash, a gold ring and a diamond ring to the total value of $540 at 4 p.m. yesterday afternoon while the vehicle was proceeding along Bubbling Well Road in the vicinity of the Country Club.

One of the two men indicated that he was carrying a pistol under his gown and that he would fire at the victim unless he handed over all the valuables in his possession. The victim promptly complied and the thugs left the bus outside the Country Club disappearing in the fraction of a minute and long before the alarm had been raised.

The case is now being investigated by detectives attached to Sinza police station. While similar crimes have been committed frequently West of Bubbling Well police station, yesterday's affair was the first known case to have been committed so far downtown.

Germans, French Will Exchange Prisoners

Berne, Apr. 7.

In accordance with the agreement reached between France and Germany under the auspices of the International Red Cross for the exchange of war prisoners, the first batch of German captives are expected to arrive in Geneva from France on April 15. At the same time, a number of French civilians, prisoners in the Reich since the outbreak of the war, will also be allowed to return to their country.—Havas.

Airmen's Children Allowances

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London, Apr. 7.

The Air Ministry announces that allowances for children of airmen will be on the same scale as those for the Navy and Army.—Reuter.

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Nanking Repudiates Chungking Decrees

Nanking, Apr. 7.

Foreign Powers will soon be notified by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs here that the reorganized National Government of China will repudiate all laws and decrees as well as treaties, agreements and contracts made by the Chungking regime after March 30 this year.

A resolution, directing the Executive Yuan to instruct the Ministry of Foreign Affairs to issue such a notification was passed at the second meeting of the Central Political Council here yesterday.—Domei.

Nanking Bans Illegal Levies

Miscellaneous Taxes Hit by Government Order

Nanking, Apr. 7.

Miscellaneous levies collected by various provinces, cities and districts in recent years without the authorization of the Ministry of Finance in Nanking were ordered prohibited by a joint order issued here yesterday by Mr. Wang Ching-wei, president of the Executive Yuan, and Mr. Chou Fo-hai, Minister of Finance.

This action was based on a resolution adopted by the Central Political Council at its second session yesterday. These miscellaneous taxes were being collected by regional administrations under the title of octroi on imports and exports, visa fees, special business tax and other terms.

The Council also decided that all laws and governmental decress applicable by the administrative and judicial agencies of the Government should be based upon statutes in effect before November 1937.—Domei.

French Premier Has Busy Week-End

Envoys, Army Chiefs and Polish Leader Received

Paris, Apr. 6.

The Premier, M. Paul Reynaud today received the Polish Foreign Minister, M. Auguste Zaleski; two high military commanders and two French envoys on visits here.

General Nogues, Resident-General in Morocco, was followed by General Maxime Weygand, commander of the French forces in the Levant and former Commander-in-Chief of the Army, M. André François-Poncet and M. Raymond Brugère, respectively Ambassador to Italy and Minister to Yugoslavia, were the two envoys received by M. Reynaud.—Havas.

Chief of U.S. Air Force In Panama

New York, Apr. 7.

Major-General H. H. Arnold, Chief of the U.S. Air Corps, will arrive in Panama today at the head of a delegation of four officers. The authorities in Panama will offer a banquet in his honour this evening.—Havas.

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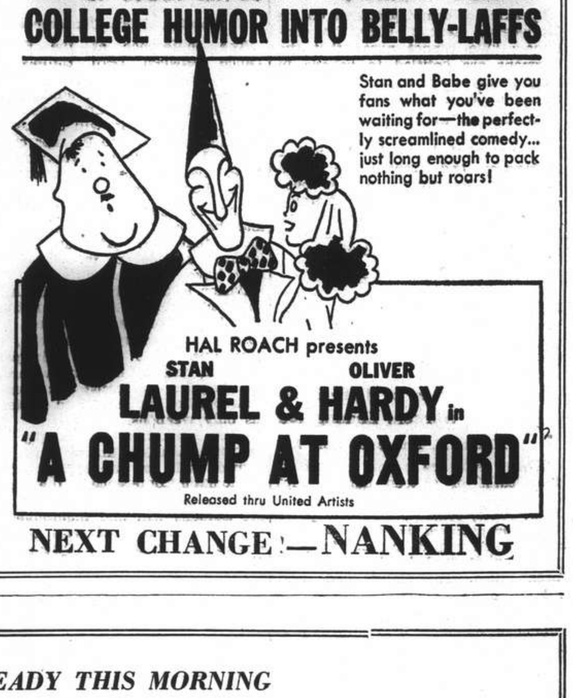

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FROM DAY TO DAY

MR. G. T. LOWRY, Police magistrate in Nigeria, has been transferred to Hongkong as magistrate.

DR. T. K. ABBOTT of the Colonial Medical Service, has been appointed Health Officer at Hongkong.

AN Anglo-French postage stamp for overseas mails is to be issued as a symbol of the unity of purpose of the two empires. It is understood from the G.P.O. that it will probably not be issued until the autumn.

ON Tuesday, at 2.30 p.m. there will be a meeting of the civic department of the American Women's Club at the home of Mrs. C. L. Boynton, 11 Avenue Petain. The attention of the members is drawn to the change in the place of meeting.

THE Shanghai Public Health Club will meet on this evening, at 7 p.m. (9th floor, Y.M.C.A., 123 Blvd de Montigny) Dr. M. C. Balfour, B.C., M.D. will address the meeting on "Travels in South-western China." Guests are welcome. Reservations for the dinner should be made to Dr. P. G. Mar, 1320 Avenue Road, tel. 30010.

MR. Denis Nowell Pritt, barrister and member of Parliament whose championship of Russia's attack on Finland in his book "Must the War spread?" aroused much controversy, has been expelled from the Labour Party by 17 votes to 3 at the usual monthly meeting of Labour's National Executive. Those who voted against his expulsion are Miss Ellen Wilkinson, Mr. Harold Laski and Miss Susan Lawrence.

IN a debate on the British Government's new policy of Colonial development in the House of Lords last night, Lord Dufferin (Under-Secretary for the Colonies) said that, as regards African education "we made a mistake in starting with the men. If you educate a woman you educate a whole family—probably ten or twenty people." He added that the education of the women of Africa would now be taken in hand.

IN 1933 Edward Merrell was sleeping on a seat when someone tapped him on the shoulder and told him he had been left £2,000 by his uncle. The money was invested, and brought in 25s. per week, which he collected each week at his solicitor's office. When war broke out, he stopped calling for his money, and was not traced until he appeared at Bow Street a week ago charged with sleeping out on the Embankment and failing to give a good account of himself. The charge was dismissed.

Two members of an R.A.F. balloon barrage squad have been carried 20 ft. in the air by a barrage balloon and were injured when they dropped off. The balloon, at a north-east coast town, got out of hand as it was being launched and the two men were carried into the air on the mooring ropes. The rip-cord was immediately pulled to deflate the balloon, but the men dropped off. They were taken to hospital. The balloon was brought to the ground after the mishap.

CHAMBER music was played to the Queen by the Griller quartette as she sat for her portrait by Augustus John, R.A. at Buckingham Palace recently. The Queen promised some time ago to hear the quartette, which comprises two violins, viola and 'cello. It is renowned for its rendering of Brahms and Bach. The Queen found it impossible to set aside a morning for music alone, as she has so many war-time engagements, so she arranged for the quartette to play while her portrait was being painted.

THE registration of all private radio receiving sets in "Free China" areas has been ordered by the Ministry of Communications of the Chinese Government in Chungking, says a Chungking report to the "Sin Wan Pao." Owners of these sets, whether Chinese or foreign, are required to report their property to the nearest telegraph bureau or any other subsidiary administration of the Ministry of Communications. Failure to do this will entail a fine of from $5 to any amount not exceeding $200 for each radio, the report states.

CAPTAIN Euan Wallace, the Minister of Transport, recently addressed a meeting in London, although he was in bed at his home with influenza. He spoke by telephone to 1,500 guests at the coming of age luncheon of the Electrical Development Association and by a Post Office "hook-up" his greeting—a "ghostly" one he called it—was clearly heard through loudspeakers. Lord Lytton, who presided, addressed his remarks to Captain Wallace, who was listening-in to the speeches, and as he concluded the Minister's comment "thank you very much indeed" vibrated through the dining-room.

Two evacuee children, on the first night of their arrival in a country cottage, were put to bed in clean sheets and said, "That is what they put dead people into." This was among the stories of evacuees told by the Bishop of Winchester at a recent luncheon. He related the story of another child who refused to take his boots off on going to bed. He said that if he took his boots off the rats would get at his feet during the night. "Incidents of that kind among children from the slums have brought home the pathos of the conditions under which so many have been forced to live," commented the Bishop.

CATTLE and pigs are being fed in England experimentally on sultanas and figs, supplied by the Ministry of Food. These are part of a big purchase of Turkish dried fruits left over from Christmas puddings last year. The animals are said to be liking their new diet. Shopkeepers are wondering rather dubiously whether they will be able to sell sultanas at 7d. a lb. when cattle are being fed on them at a much lower price. The experiment, which is being carried out near Norwich, is to find out if dried fruits would form an economic and suitable ingredient in compound feeding stuffs for farm animals to keep up the meat and milk supplies in wartime.

Results of a Survey of the Food Supply of Shanghai

Permits, Taxes, Monopolized Transportation, Responsible; No Improvement Likely

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

THAT the present high cost of vital necessaries in Shanghai is entirely due to the monopolistic manner in which the Japanese are chocking the free flow of victuals from the interior is vividly brought out by an extensive survey made by the "North-China Daily News" during the past few weeks, when all organizations, persons and groups fully conversant with actual conditions were interviewed and to whom the present survey was submitted prior to publication so as to make sure that all facts contained in it are strictly in keeping with prevailing conditions. As will be recalled, the S.M.C. appointed a Price Control Committee early last month and asked that a report be submitted so as to aid in devising ways and means of relieving the situation. In part, the report stated:

"The Committee was satisfied that the fundamental cause for high prices to be recognized (especially so far as domestic rice, wheat, meat and fish were concerned and to a lesser extent vegetables) was the fact that this area has been in the grip of a conflict since August 1937, and that the terrain from which Shanghai has been accustomed to rely for its supplies is under military control.

"So long as the farmers and suppliers are prevented from having a free market for their commodities, prices of necessaries within the two foreign Settlements of Shanghai must exceed normal."

Doubt was expressed as to the accuracy of the above statements, but the survey made by the "North-China Daily News" confirms that while the population in this city has increased from three and a half million to five million, due to the influx of refugees from the interior since the outbreak of hostilities, supplies of foodstuffs which have been allowed to come into Shanghai by the Japanese are considerably below those which were brought here from the hinterland in normal times when there were not so many mouths to feed.

High Original Cost

The main reason for the present high prices of meat, for instance, are the increased high cost at sources of supply situated in Japanese-controlled territories, and the demand for payment of import and other fees as well as the increased cost of Japanese-operated or approved transportation.

Before the outbreak of hostilities, the cost per head of cattle at the source did not exceed $90 a head. Today the price is never below $200 and more often than not above $250. Whereas no "export" fees were charged in pre-hostility days, at least $15 must now be paid for a head of cattle before it can be sent to Shanghai.

Cost of transportation has been more than doubled for cattle brought to this city by rail, and is over four times that of the pre-hostility figure for conveyance by water. While cattle cost about $100 a head at the Shanghai abattoir before August 1937, it is now very seldom below $250 and frequently as high as $300 a head.

There are other factors which have to be taken into consideration however, in ascertaining the fabulous prices which must now be paid for meat. While the official market price for hides is approximately 95 cents per lb., owners are compelled to sell their hides to the Japanese at the local abattoir at 25 sen a kilogramme (2.205 lb.) and this forces the dealers to recover their losses at the expense of the consumer.

While buffalo cost between $100 and $110 delivered at the abattoir prior to the hostilities, the present cost at the source of supply which is always in Japanese-occupied territory is rarely below $250, frequently in the neighbourhood of $300, and usually between $300 and $350 a head delivered at the abattoir. "Export" fees which were non-existent three years ago, now amount to $15 a head and the charges for transportation—under Japanese control—have gone up in the same manner as is the case for cattle. Buffalo hides must be sold to the Japanese at 15 sen a kilogramme as against the market price of 65 cents a lb.

Prices of sheep have gone up to a much greater extent. While prior to the hostilities, sheep could be obtained at between $6 and $7 a head at the source of supply (now under Japanese occupation), the cost today is rarely below $25 and frequently as high as $30. Not only are "export" permits now required, but the cost of transportation is up to approximately 600 per cent. as compared with 1937. While the cost of sheep at the abattoir prior to the outbreak of hostilities rarely exceeded $9, quotations last week ranged between $35 and $45.

Pork Supply Hit

Investigations with regard to the supply of pork, reveal a similar state of affairs, and is all the more deplorable in that the Chinese mostly depend on this meat for their food. "Export" fees of about $10 must now be paid for each pig sent to Shanghai while transportation, which cost approximately 80 cents a head in 1937, is now as much as $3. Prices at the abattoir never exceeded 10 cents a catty (1.1 lbs) prior to hostilities, but now over 60 cents is being paid. The removal of cattle from railway stations to livestock markets in Shanghai is monopolized by Japanese interests who impose "convoy" and "market" charges, while "brokerage" must also be paid.

Considered as a whole, the situation actually prevailing and the high prices which must now be paid are therefore almost entirely due to the amount collected by the Japanese authorities on each head of livestock; other charges which are collected and the compulsory sale of hides to the Japanese at a price very much below actual market quotations.

In turning to the situation governing the supply of vegetables, the "North-China Daily News" found that a similar state of affairs prevailed. "Permit" fees collected for each truck-load and usually included in the transportation fees of the Japanese-owned firms engaging in this traffic amount to between $10 and $20 a truck.

Since practically all vegetables obtainable in Shanghai come from Japanese-occupied areas, this additional burden can be keenly appreciated, all the more so if it is taken into consideration that since April 1, the Central Wholesale Market in Chapei, which was established by the Shanghai City Government under the auspices of the Japanese authorities, collects additional fees for obligatory permits without which dealers are not permitted to bring vegetables to the city. Vegetable purveyors with supplies destined for the foreign Settlements, are compelled to take their goods to the Chapei market. Even farmers who bring their produce in single baskets are now compelled to go to the market first where a "tax" of about 10 per cent. is levied before they may proceed to sell their goods to the population. With the existence of a similar vegetable market in the Western district (Brennan Road near Chungshan Road) and the one which has been built in Nantao, it becomes obvious that this monopoly which has now been existing since hostilities broke out, is to be of a permanent nature. In pre-war days, no permits were required and no fees of any nature levied by the authorities.

Wheat Situation Critical

An embargo on exports to Shanghai of wheat, coupled with the lack of native wheat due to the disturbed state of the country, are largely responsible for the high cost of flour on the local market. Here also, the producing centres lie almost exclusively in Japanese-occupied territory.

Compared with the pre-hostility price of between $6 and $7 per "tan", an all-time high of $29 was reached in February, although prices have now declined to between $24 and $25. Due to the scarcity of domestic supplies, foreign markets, in particular Australia, must be relied upon now to cater to Shanghai's needs. But even domestic supplies are monopolized by the Japanese who not only prevent the sale of wheat and flour at the sources of supply, but who also force growers to have the wheat milled in Japanese-owned flour mills in Soochow, Changchow and Wusieh.

Due to the decline in the value of the Chinese dollar and the increase in transportation and insurance costs as a result of the European war, flour obtained from abroad has become exceedingly expensive and until the Japanese remove the ban on the free flow of native wheat from the Interior, no improvement can possibly be brought about.

Almost as soon as fighting broke out in Shanghai in 1937, it became apparent that this city would be without native rice in a short period. The S.M.C. placed orders for Saigon rice which arrived just in time to prevent a rice famine locally and it is common knowledge that several endeavours have since been made by the Council and other bodies, to secure rice for Shanghai from the producing centres. The local Japanese authorities promised to relieve the situation on a number of occasions, but they have never been successful in their efforts.

Apart from the fact that the Chinese population of this city, for whom rice is the staple food, do not care for the Saigon variety to which they are not used, the price for imported rice is so excessive at the present time as to make it practically prohibitive.

Stocks now in Shanghai are estimated at 653,000 zahs of which only about 35,500 zahs are of domestic origin, the remainder having been imported from Saigon. Acute distress is therefore bound to prevail as long as the Japanese refuse to permit the free entry of supplies from the interior.

Printing Plant Strike Settled

Taxi Drivers' Walk-Out Believed Unlikely

Strikers at the A.B.C. Press, S.A., 22, Lane 126, Szechuen Road, returned to work unconditionally on Friday morning after one of their comrades, who was understood to have instigated labour unrest which prevailed in the printing plant for some months, was discharged. The strike lasted over a week.

The workers, it was understood, had no grudge against the management but had been forced to go on strike under pressure from the trouble-maker who was discharged on Thursday evening with the result that work was resumed in full the next day.

Meanwhile, the threatened strike of hire car drivers appears to have been averted and negotiations now taking place between the garage owners and the chauffeurs indicate that an early settlement of the unrest is likely. It is not believed now that a strike will materialize, mainly because the chauffeurs would not like to stop work as they would thus be deprived of the tips which constitute by far the greater part of their income. As will be recalled, drivers demanded that a flat rate tip be added to the ordinary fare but the garages turned down this request fearing that if this were done, service to patrons would deteriorate.

No settlement has as yet been reached between the 900 strikers of the Shanghai Dockyards, Ld., Yangtszepoo Road.

Negotiations are in progress since then but no settlement has as yet been reached. Police detachments from Yulin Road station are guarding the premises against any further disturbances although the workers have not tried to stage demonstrations since they were locked out. An early settlement of the trouble is held likely. The men demand an increase in their salaries and rice allowances.

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New Teas Here But Prospects Poor

Chinese Government Ban on Transactions in Occupied Areas Hits Merchants

The spring harvest of Chinese tea has arrived here but business will not prove prosperous for the tea exporters who do business in Shanghai or native merchants whose activities are confined to the local market, inquiries reveal. Chinese Government banks will not lend money to tea merchants trading in occupied districts while the tea to be exported is more or less placed under the control of the Government using Hongkong and not Shanghai as the exporting centre.

Tea merchants say here that they are affected seriously by the changed situation and that owing to the fact that it is difficult to obtain credits from banks they have to do their own financing. It is stated, however, that the spring crop of tea will come here in the next few days although it is admitted that the quantity will be much smaller when compared with that of the pre-war periods. Shanghai Chinese tea merchants buy tea for local consumption. They buy it in Hangchow, Anhwei, Hunan and Chekiang but affected by many unfavourable factors consequent upon the changed situation they can only obtain smaller quantities of the various kinds of tea or roughly one third. Prices therefore are tripled.

The green tea has five crops annually and the spring crop is usually ready for the market about 10 days before the "grain rain" period mentioned in the Lunar calendar or about April 10. The tea is therefore beginning to be marketed. The tea export business has been placed under the control of the Chinese Government at Chungking through its agents, the Foreign Trade Committee and China Tea Company. The tea is to be exported from Hongkong alone. According to the "Chinese American Daily News", the Government will have no difficulty in transporting tea from Anhwei, Chekiang and other places near occupied areas to Hongkong whence it will be shipped to foreign countries. Communication preparations have been completed, it is stated.

The new tea crop is said to be better than those of the previous two years owing to official supervision in tea-growing places. Tea "bricks" will be sent to Soviet Russia alone in order to exchange goods and to fulfil China's foreign loan obligations it is pointed out. Some kinds of tea are allowed by the Chinese Government to be sold on the native market but in order to have it sent to Shanghai certificates must be obtained and Chinese banks will advance money to tea merchants only when they do not trade in occupied areas.

Wang's Sister Will Visit Nanking

Hankow, Apr. 7.

Mme. Wang Chao-e, elder sister of Mr. Wang Ching-wei, acting president of the reorganized National Government of China in Nanking, will leave here soon for Nanking for her first reunion with her well-known brother since 1937.

The 69-year-old woman, who was taken out of Yungtiaohsien, Kiangsi, in a dramatic raid on the guerilla base by a handful of Japanese troops on March 20, has been staying at the Central Hotel here since April 1. Mme. Wang bitterly complained of the oppression she underwent at the hands of the guerillas because of the activities of her younger brother, whose real role she said she did not know until she reached Kiukiang under Japanese military protection.

Mme. Wang said she had lived in Nanking until the city was threatened by Japanese troops in the fall of 1937 when she was evacuated to Yungtiaohsien, while her brother left for Hankow.—Domei.

Baby Dies in Straw Hut Fire

Eleven Structures Destroyed In Robison Road Outbreak

The life of a four year-old Chinese girl was the price paid yesterday morning by a careless person who caused eight straw huts and three Chinese houses to be completely gutted at the intersection of Robison and Kiaochow Roads shortly after 11 a.m. A Chinese woman who endeavoured to return to her burning home to retrieve some of her meager belongings, suffered severe burns on her face and hands and had to be rushed to the St. Elizabeth Hospital, where her condition was stated last night to be serious.

The causes for yesterday's blaze, one of a series of similar fires which have destroyed countless straw huts and houses in the outside road areas in the past year or so, are not known, it being believed, however, that the careless handling of one of the primitive cooking stoves used in these flimsy structures may have been to blame.

Panic-stricken, the occupants of the threatened houses dashed to safety and while policemen who had rushed to the scene were kept busy in preventing people from returning to the burning houses with the object of saving some of their belongings, the crews of three fire engines from Ichang Road station went into action and apart from pouring thousands of gallons of water on the flames, endeavoured to localize the outbreak and to prevent the flames from spreading to adjoining houses.

They were successful, although the window frames of two nearby houses were scorched, the flames being stopped in time to prevent these structures from burning to the ground.

After one hour's work, the firemen were able to return to their station while about 150 people gazed on what had been their home. The police have meanwhile commenced investigations into the origins of the outbreak.

Canton Road Fire

Earlier yesterday, at 5.47 a.m., engines from Central station were summoned to House 41, Lane 237, Canton Road, near Honan Road where the premises of a Chinese firm doing business in paper and medicines were found to be alight. After nearly two hours of hard work, the machines returned to the station.

The ground and first floors of the building, as well as the roof were badly damaged, while some damage was also done to the roof of an adjoining building.

One of the occupants of the premises was understood to have sustained burns but he had left for the hospital before the arrival of the emergency ambulance.

Italian Envoy Sails For Home

Signor Giacinto Auriti, who for the last seven years served as Italian Ambassador to Japan, sailed for home in the Conde Verde yesterday morning after an overnight stay in Shanghai. The Italian diplomat arrived here in the Shanghai Maru from Japan at 5.30 o'clock Saturday afternoon.

Lieut.-Col. Naokata Utsunomiya, chief Japanese army liaison officer, met the retiring Italian envoy on his arrival on behalf of Lieut-Gen. Seishiro Itagaki, now Chief-of-Staff of the Japanese Expeditionary Forces to China, with whom Signor Auriti maintained close relations when the Japanese officer was Minister of War.

Interviewed by the Japanese press at the time of his arrival, Signor Auriti declared that while he was reluctant to go to Japan, when assigned to the Tokyo post in 1933, he now found it hard to leave the country.

"I believe I fully understand Japan's attitude and position, which I shall endeavour to transmit to my countrymen upon my return home," he was quoted as saying.

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Japanese Operate Mock Court

Foreigners, Chinese North of Creek Forced To Attend "Hearings"

Foreigners without extraterritorial rights and Chinese residents north of Soochow Creek have of recent weeks been made to appear in a "Court of Rehabilitation" to face civil actions, according to investigations just completed by a "North-China Daily News" reporter. Ignoring of the summonses served by Japanese officials of the "court" entail immediate arrest and in many cases, punishment.

While the whereabouts of the "court" have not been ascertained, it has been established that the hearings take place at an address on Haining Road, presumably in buildings occupied by the Japanese Naval Landing Party.

In all, four cases handled by this "court" have come to public knowledge although it is impossible to obtain statements from the persons concerned. One case which occurred last week, is that of the wife of a Russian watchman, who, it will be recalled, was arrested at her home on Thursday afternoon and taken to the Japanese Naval Landing Party's premises on Haining Road, from where she was subsequently, released at the request of the Shanghai Municipal Police. Not only was the woman forced to go along, but her little child had to follow the armed members of the Japanese Naval Landing Party who effected the arrest.

The woman, it will be recalled, was "arrested" because she owed $80 to a Chinese shop-keeper and the "North-China Daily News" learned from absolutely reliable sources that the victim of this procedure had ignored a summons served her some days previously.

The other cases involve Chinese and concern debts as well. The court is functioning without the knowledge of the Consular Body or any other recognized authority and has as its obvious aim to curtail the jurisdiction of the Chinese courts in areas of the Settlement which are under Japanese control.

Shanghai Man to Buy American Freighter

Washington, Apr. 7.

The Alaska Steamship Company of Seattle, asked the Maritime Commission yesterday to approve the sale of its freighter, the ss. Curacao, 1,548 tons, to Mr. Emmanuel P. Yannoulatos, a Greek citizen residing at Shanghai. The Curacao would fly the Greek flag and would engage in Far East trade.—United Press.

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Tax on Soda Water Being Collected

Chinese Merchants Oppose New Wine Market

The "soda water tax" is to be collected commencing this month by the Consolidated Tax Bureau in Shanghai established by new Chinese authorities, reports published by the "Sin Wan Pao" and other leading Chinese newspapers state. The tax bureau has been collecting taxes already on wine and tobacco at the instigation of Japanese but now another new tax is to be collected, it is stated.

Settlement authorities are reported to have been collecting the tax and therefore the new tax will be a duplicate, it is pointed out. Soda water manufacturers in Shanghai are said to be planning to oppose the new tax.

Meanwhile, Chinese wine merchants in Shanghai are opposing the organization of the "Wine Market" here, states the "National Herald." It is stated that Chinese wine merchants in Shanghai have no middlemen and that the establishment of the new market will affect their business because one more "commission" will be collected from the public.

During the past few days, the Chinese press have also criticized the newly established Central Market in Chapei which has begun controlling the sale of vegetables and fruit here. Merchants and hawkers have been asked to place their goods in the market which will then distribute them to the buying public.

Fourth Marines Church

Numbered among one of the finest concerts ever heard at the Grand Theatre, was the special solo selections by Mr. Chao-Tse Ken, baritons soloist. He sang as his first number, "The Erl King" by Franz Schubert, followed by both "Largo from Xerxes" by Handel, and "Vezzosette Care a Pupillette" by Falconieri. Mr. Keh was accompanied at the piano by none other than Mr. Hans Baer, Shanghai's pedagogue of the ivory key-board. This programme drew one of the largest, if not the largest audiences ever to attend the services and concert at the Grand.

The morning services opened with the prelude "Angels Of Peace" by Keller, and for the offertory, "When Shadows Fall" by Keithley. One of the finest clarinet quartettes ever heard was that played by Sgt. Sheenhan, Pfc's Brown, Lawson and Montgomery, in which they played the composition "Just a Memory" by La Donneau.

In conducting this morning's services, Chaplain Marken preached on "Fair Weather Friends," setting for the interpretation of the "true value of friendship through one's fair and stormy sea of life" and the meaning of such true friendship when it is most needed.

The concert opened, with the Fourth Marines Band under the direction of Bandmaster Mt-Sgt. L. E. Giffin, playing Alexander's March "Belfords Carnival." The suite "Do Quixote" was heard as the concluding number.

Registration fees are collected from participating merchants.

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London: Apr. 6.

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Bank Bills	6 months	1 1/16%
Fine Trade Bills,	3 months	2 5/16%
Fine Trade Bills,	6 months	3 1/16%
Call Money		0 7/8%

New York: closed.—Reuter.

Foreign Exchanges

Closing Apr. 6.

Bombay, Rupee T. T. on:			
Japan	88 3/8	London	1/5 31/32
New York	332 1/4	2 mths	
Shanghai	23 3/8	„ sellers	1/5 31/32
Hongkong	83 1/2	„ buyers	1/6 1/32
		Japan	
		2 mths	
		„ sellers	89 1/2
		„ buyers	87 3/8
London £ Sterling T. T. on:			
New York	402.50	Shanghai	4 1/4 d.
Paris	176.50	Bombay	1/6 1/2
Amsterdam	7.53	Hongkong	1/2 3/32
Brussels	23.55	Singapore	2/4 1/32
Madrid	38.50	Yokohama	1/3 3/32
Milan	70.00	„ (buying)	1/3 3/4
Berne	17.36		
New York U.S.$ T. T. on:			
Berlin	40.20	Montreal	84.000
Spain	9.95	Brazil	5.10
Holland	53.09 1/2	Japan	23.48
Paris	2.03 1/2	Shanghai	6.25
Brussels	17.03 1/2	Hungary	17.70
Italy	5.05	Rumania	0.53 N
S'zerland	22.42 1/2	Yugo Slavia	2.32 N
Sweden	23.83	Greece	0.67
Norway	22.72	Bulgaria	Unq.
Denmark	19.30	Finland	1.90
London			3.58 1/2
„ Demand			3.58 1/2
Buenos Aires Paper			Unq.
„ „ „ market rate			22.50
Montreal on London			4.26 5/8

N—Nominal.—Reuter.

Chinese February Export Figures

Chungking, Apr. 6.

Chinese goods valued at HK$17,700,000 were exported from China, via Hongkong, during February, representing an increase of HK$2,500,000 over the figure for the corresponding period last year, if officially announced here.

Compared with the record month of January this year, which totalled HK$26,000,000, however, February's figure represents a decrease of nearly HK$10,000,000.

Chinese authorities attribute the decrease firstly to a slackening in the supply of native goods; secondly, to seasonal fluctuations; and thirdly to unfilled orders for the month of December last year, which were also included in the figures for January.

The export figures for February are as follows:

Cloth	Hk$5,780,000
Wood Oil	4,481,760
Tea	737,022
Materia medica	1,072,541
Mineral ores	544,068
Raw silk	438,784
Bristles	143,453

Bombay Cotton Market

Bombay, Apr. 6.

It is difficult to foresee whether or not the Bombay cotton market has been completely reassured by the official announcement denying rumours of the stoppage of shipments, but liquidation on a broad scale during the past week was accompanied by more than a little short selling, which drastically reduced the present supply of contracts, leaving the market very sensitive to constructive news.

Tonight's spirited recovery was due to all-round buying on the belief that the market has been well liquidated, coupled with unconfirmed rumours that the China demand was expanding.—Reuter.

U. S. Commodities

Saturday's Closing Quotations

New York, Apr. 6.

The cotton market was early steady on foreign buying and trade demand, coupled with strong Bombay cables. Later, prices reacted on commission house selling and hedge-selling, influenced by reports of precipitation over the drought areas. Closing quotations ranged from 1 to 4 points down from the previous final levels.

Quiet but firm conditions prevailed in the rubber market today on some nervous shorts covering and dealer and factory buying. The strength of securities was an aiding factor.

Chicago wheat prices were depressed today on liquidation and trade selling, influenced by beneficial rains received in the dry areas. However, some operators were absorbing liquidation on the belief that the precipitation was insufficient. At the final bell, losses from 1⅞ to 2⅛ cents were received.

New York Cotton		New York Rubber	
May	10.63-63 —01		
July	10.38-40 —04		
July	(N.C.) 10.54 N —03		
Oct.	(N.C.) 9.87-87 —01	May	18.42-42 +16
		July	17.80-84 — B/A
Dec.	(N.C.) 9.70-70 —01	Sept.	17.67-67 +10
Jan.	(N.C.) 9.66 N —01		
Mar.	(N.C.) 9.56 N —01		
N. Y. Sugar No. 3		**N. Y. Sugar No. 4**	
May	1.85-86 unch B/A	May	1.46-47 —½ B/A
Sept.	1.97-98 +01 B/A	Sept.	1.41½-42 —½ B/A
Chicago Wheat		**Chicago Corn**	
May	104¼-104⅛ —1⅞	May	57-57 —⅜
July	103⅛-103¼ —2⅛	Sept.	59⅜-59⅜ —1⅛
Sept.	103⅛-103 —1⅞		
Winnipeg Wheat		**N. N. Silk No. 1**	
May	88⅜ B —⅞	July	Closed.

B—Bid. A—Asked.—Reuter.

New York Weekly Cotton Statistics

New York, Apr. 5.

According to statistics compiled by the New York Cotton Exchange for the week ended April 5, supplies of cotton brought into sight for the season totalled 12,388,000 bales, showing an increase of 109,000 bales over last week and an increase of 3,950,000 bales over the corresponding week of last year.

Forwardings to United States mills for the season reached 6,106,000 bales, showing increases over the figures for last week and the corresponding week in 1939 of 103,000 and 1,281,000 bales, respectively.

Exports from United States ports since August 1, 1939 totalled 5,536,000 bales, an increase of 112,000 bales over the previous week's level and an increase of 2,537,000 bales over the corresponding week of last year. These exports included: 784,000 bales to Japan; 347,800 bales to China Proper, 24,400 bales to French Indo-China; 1,745,000 bales to Great Britain and 30,000 bales to Germany.

Stock in United States ports and interior towns were estimated at 5,406,000 bales, representing a contraction of 103,000 bales compared with last week, and an increase of 245,000 bales compared with the corresponding period of last year.—Reuter.

London Money Market

London, Apr. 6.

The large dividend and commercial payments by the Government were the main feature in the London money market during the past week.

Offerings of £50,000,000 worth of Treasury bills were fully allotted at the average rate of £1.0.8.33d.—Reuter.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Statistical Data Concerning Leading Stocks

By Courtesy of Swan, Culbertson & Fritz

Name of Stock (No par value except where indicated)	Dividends Annual rate	Dividends Date of 1st quarterly payment	Book value	Earnings or Deficits 5 yr Average 1933-37	1936	1937	1938	Yield on basis of price in %
Adams Express	0.25	Irregular	14	—	0.50	0.62	0.16	3
Allegheny Ludlum Steel	0.50	Irregular	21	—	2.13	2.10	D 1.04	2
Allis Chalmers	1.25	Irregular	32	—	2.27	4.42	1.44	3
American can 25	4	Feb. 15	46	6.29	5.80	6.08	4.35	3
Am. and Foreign Power	—	—	—	1.43	D 9.45	D 8.77	D 8.66	nil
Am. and For.P. $7 cum.Pref.	0.35	Irregular	110	23.49	6.84	7.11	6.83	1
Am. Locomotive	—	—	6	4.20	D 1.71	4.75	D 4.90	nil
Am. Radiator	0.30†	Irregular	11	1.84	0.70	0.68	D 0.08	3
Am. Rolling Mill	—	—	28	2.46	2.25	2.55	D 1.16	nil
American Smelting	3	Feb. 28	35	7.27	6.85	6.54	3.24	6
Am. Tel. and Tel. 100	9	Jan. 15	127	1.30	9.89	9.76	8.32	5
Am. Tob. "B" 25	5	Mar. 1	24	6.00	3.71	5.04	4.89	6
Am. Waterworks	—	—	10	2.80	1.52	1.14	0.38	nil
Anaconda Copper 50	1.25	Irregular	58	4.97	1.83	3.62	1.10	4
Atch., Top. & S. Fe 100	—	—	260	19.16	1.56	0.60	0.83	nil
Auburn Automobiles	28	—	—	9.72	D 6.67	D15.00	D 1.73	nil
Baltimore and Ohio 100	—	—	126	11.36	0.85	D 1.20	6.04	nil
Barber Asphalt (10)	0.50†	Irregular	32	—	1.14	1.91	D 0.85	3
Barnsdall Oil 5	0.80	Feb. 1	8	—	1.01	0.85	1.26	7
Bethlehem Steel	2.50†	Irregular	117	7.06	2.09	7.63	D 0.70	3
Boeing Airplane 5	—	—	10	—	0.32	0.45	D 0.77	nil
Borg-Warner 5	1.35	Irregular	16	—	3.57	3.63	D 0.01	6
Bklyn. Manh. Tran.	—	—	79	6.78	0.30	4.09	D 1.25	nil
Canadian Pacific Rly. 25	—	—	40	3.11	0.04	0.30	D 0.32	nil
Case, J. I. 100	—	—	154	14.53	12.36	13.98	8.89	nil
Chase Nat. Bank 13.33	1.40	F.A. 1	32	4.04	2.24	2.03	—	3
Chesapeake & Ohio 25	2.62½	Jan. 1	51	5.67	5.72	4.43	2.62	7
Chrysler 5	5.25†	Irregular	40	4.69	14.25	11.66	4.32	6
Columbia Gas and Electric	—	—	16	2.08	0.53	0.57	0.31	nil
Commercial Credit 10	4.00	Mar. 31	29	—	6.08	7.10	4.60	9
Commonwealth & Southern	—	—	5	0.67	0.13	0.18	0.08	nil
Consolidated Edison	2	Mar. 15	52	4.50	2.32	2.17	2.09	6
Consolidated Oil	0.80	Feb. 15	18	—	1.18	1.48	0.55	11
Continental Oil	1	Jan. 30	17	0.64	1.78	2.97	1.00	4
Corn Products 25	3	Jan. 20	34	4.41	3.86	2.52	3.17	5
Distillers Corp. Seagrams	2	Mar. 15	21	nil	2.42	3.95	3.75	10
Douglas Aircraft	3	Irregular	21	1.50	1.74	1.90	3.76	3
Dupont de Nemours 10	7	Mar. 15	42	5.17	7.54	7.27	3.75	4
Eagle Picher Lead 10	0.20†	Irregular	14	—	0.74	0.40	—	2
Electric Bond & Share 5	—	—	21	2.15	0.17	0.42	0.18	nil
Elec. Bond & Share $6 Pref.	6	Feb. 1	30	—	6.42	7.31	—	8
Flintkote	1.00	—	13	—	1.75	1.50	1.21	5
General Electric	1.40	Jan. 25	11	1.81	1.52	2.21	0.90	4
General Motors 10	3.50†	Mar. 12	19	4.83	5.36	4.38	2.17	6
General Railway Signal	—	—	16	7.99	0.17	1.58	D 0.85	nil
Glidden	0.50	—	22	—	3.29	2.62	D 0.29	3
Goodrich Rubber	1	—	24	2.09	4.03	D 2.25	0.14	5
Goodyear Tire and Rubber	1†	Irregular	27	5.12	3.90	1.95	1.34	4
Great Northern Ry. Pfd.	—	—	157	9.47	3.99	4.04	1.09	nil
Greyhound	1.35	Jan. 1	9	D0.16	1.50	1.59	1.43	8
Int. Nickel	2	Mar. 30	14	0.85	2.40	3.31	2.09	6
Int. Tel. and Tel.	—	—	30	3.45	0.63	1.60	1.10	nil
Kennecott	2	Mar. 30	54	3.67	2.36	4.60	2.10	6
Loew's Inc.	2.50†	Mar. 30	34	6.71	6.73	8.47	4.65	7
Montgomery Ward	2	Apr. 15	26	2.51	3.63	3.41	3.50	4
Nat. City Bank N.Y. 12½	1	F. A. 1	25	4.17	2.10	2.00	—	3
Nat. Dairy Products	0.80	Jan. 2	12	3.58	2.01	1.53	1.69	4
National Distillers	2	Feb. 1	21	—	3.81	3.86	3.85	8
Nat. Power and Light	0.60	Mar. 1	22	1.74	0.99	1.36	1.28	7
New York Central	—	—	142	12.63	1.79	0.99	D 3.13	nil
North Am. Aviation 1	1.40	Irregular	2	—	0.001	0.14	0.55	6
North American Co. 10	1.30*	Jan. 2	1	4.47	1.74	1.95	1.55	5
Pacific Gas and Electric 25	2	Jan. 16	20	2.83	2.55	2.71	2.47	6
Pacific Lighting	3*	Feb. 15	39	2.70	3.88	4.10	4.18	6
Packard Motors	—	—	13	1.11	0.47	0.20	D 0.12	nil
Paramount Pictures 1	0.15	—	7	—	1.18	1.96	0.84	2
Pennsylvania Railroad 50	1	Irregular	19	7.01	2.94	2.07	0.84	4
Phillips Petroleum	2	Mar. 1	38	3.69	4.02	5.42	2.03	5
Public Service of N.J.	2.50	Mar. 30	36	3.15	2.80	2.61	2.34	6
Pure Oil	0.25†	Irregular	22	1.77	1.63	2.15	0.38	2
Radio Corp.	0.20	Irregular	21	1.32	0.21	0.41	0.30	3
Reynolds Tobacco "B"	2.30†	Jan. 1	4	3.04	2.93	2.82	2.37	6
Schenley 5	—	—	45	—	7.05	5.04	2.46	nil
Sears Roebuck	4.25	Mar. 16	30	5.03	5.66	5.58	4.18	5
Socony Vacuum Corp. 15	0.50†	M. S. 15	44	—	1.38	1.32	1.29	4
Southern Pacific 100	—	—	123	10.19	3.84	0.20	D 1.81	nil
Standard Brands	0.42	Jan. 2	90	1.53	1.11	0.73	0.62	6
Standard Gas & Electric	—	—	4	6.59	D 0.99	D 0.86	D 2.23	nil
Standard Oil of N.J. 25	1.25*	J. D. 15	0	3.47	3.73	5.64	2.86	2
Texas Gulf Sulphur	2	Mar. 15	49	5.21	2.56	3.02	1.81	6
Union Carbide & Carbon	2	Jan. 2	15	3.40	4.14	4.81	2.77	2
Union Pacific Railway 100	6	Jan. 2	38	17.53	8.20	6.15	6.62	6
United Aircraft 5	2	Irregular	8	—	0.76	1.52	2.05	4
United Airlines 5	—	—	7	—	0.26	D 0.52	D 0.66	nil
United Corp.	—	—	2	0.55	0.19	0.22	0.07	nil
United Gas Improvement 1	—	Mar. 23	17	1.29	1.09	1.09	0.99	8
U.S. Rubber 10	—	—	24	nil	3.31	2.21	0.43	nil
U.S. Steel	—	—	147	12.90	2.91	8.01	D 3.79	nil
Vanadium	1†	Irregular	29	4.59	0.40	2.22	0.61	3
Warner Bros. Pictures	—	—	18	1.84	0.75	1.48	0.41	nil
Westinghouse Elec. 6.50	3.87½	Feb. 28	70	7.22	5.67	7.53	3.38	4

*Plus extras D Deficit E Est †Dividends are for the latest four quarters

New York Stocks

Saturday's Closing Quotations

New York, Apr. 6.

Quite active and firm conditions prevailed on Wall Street this morning, when quotations finished from fractions to over one point higher. The upward climb was led by steels, followed closely by motors and other market leaders.

Favourable news included higher steel operations next week, rumours of impending substantial Allied orders, good retail motor sales and higher earnings reports.

The turnover was impressive for a Saturday, totalling 710,000 shares.—Reuter.

Dow-Jones Averages

	High	Low	Close	Changes
30 Indust.	151.34	150.27	151.10	+0.74
20 Rails	32.11	31.89	32.08	+0.20
15 Utilit.	25.97	25.78	25.92	+0.24
40 Bonds	——	——	89.91	+0.09
11 Commod.	——	——	58.62	—0.22

	Apr. 5	6		Apr. 5	6
Adams Ex	8	8¼	Kennecott	37⅛	37½
Alg Lud	23½	24¼	Lok F & M	*4½	*4¼
Allid Stores	8⅝	9	Libbey O F	51¼	51½
Allis Chal	37⅛	37½	Lockneed	37¼	38⅛
Alum Ld	106½	*106	Loew's Inc	37⅛	36⅛
Am Can	115½	115⅝	Loft Inc	37⅛	38⅛
Am For Pr	2	2	Mack Trks	26½	27⅛
„ $7 pfd	27½	26⅝	Martin	45⅝	45⅛
Am G & E	37⅛	38⅛	McK & R	28½	28⅜
Am Loco	21½	21⅛	Monsanto	113½	113⅜
Am Metal	23½	23⅛	Mont Ward	55⅜	55⅜
Am Radtr	9⅛	9⅛	Nat City B	*29⅛	*29⅛
Am R Mill	15½	16⅛	Nat Avian	15⅝	15½
Am Smltg	52⅜	52⅛	Nat Dairy	17⅛	17⅛
Am Sug R	20½	*20	Nat Dist	26⅛	26⅛
Am T & T	174⅛	175	Nat Gyp	11⅛	11⅛
Am Tob B	90⅛	90⅛	Nat Lead	21⅛	21⅛
Am Wtwrks	11⅛	11⅛	Nat P & L	8⅛	8⅛
Anaconda	30⅛	30⅛	Nat Steel	68⅛	68⅛
Atchison	23⅝	24⅜	Nat Supply	9	8⅞
Auburn	1⅛	1⅛	N Y Cent	17⅞	18⅛
Bald Loco	15⅞	16⅛	Niag Hud	5⅜	5⅜
Balt & Ohio	5⅜	5⅛	N A Avian	25⅛	25⅛
Barber	16	16	N Am Co	23⅛	23⅜
Barns Oil	11⅛	11⅛	N Pacl	8⅛	8⅛
Bend Avian	35⅛	35⅜	O I Glass	62	63
Beth Steel	80	82⅜	Pac G & E	34⅛	34⅛
Bliss	17	17⅛	Pac Light	48⅛	47⅛
Boeing	26⅛	26⅜	Packard	3⅜	3⅛
Borg War	24	24⅛	Pan Am Air	24⅝	24⅛
Brid Brass	12⅛	12⅛	Paramount	8⅛	8⅛
Briggs	23	23	Penn R R	23⅜	23⅛
Bkn M Tr	23⅛	23⅛	Phelps D	37⅛	37⅛
„ $6 pfd	96	96⅛	P & R Coal	0⅛	0⅛
Budd Mfg	5⅛	5⅛	Phil Pet	39⅛	39⅛
Can Pac	6	6⅛	Pitt C & I	8⅛	*8⅛
Case J I	69½	70⅜	P S of N J	42⅛	42⅛
Celanese	32⅜	33⅛	Pullman	27⅛	28
Chase N B	*35	*35	Pure Oil	10⅜	10⅛
Chesapeake	41⅜	41⅛	Radio	7	7
Chrysler	88⅛	90	Reading	17	16⅛
Clim Mlyb	40⅜	40½	„ 1st pfd	26	*26
Colt's	80	*80	Rem Arms	*4⅛	*4⅛
Col G & E	7⅛	7⅜	Rep Avian	6½	6½
„ $6 pfd	91	92½	Rep Steel	22⅛	23
Com Credit	46⅛	46⅛	Rev C & B	13⅜	14
Com & Sth	1⅛	1⅛	Rey Tob B	42⅛	42⅛
Cons Edis	32⅜	32⅜	Rich Oil	7⅛	7⅛
Cons Oil	7⅛	7⅛	Safe Stores	52	51⅛
Cont Can	48⅛	48⅛	Schenley	13⅞	13⅜
Cont Oil	23⅜	23⅛	Sears Roeb	87⅞	87⅛
Cop St	21⅛	22½	Shell U Oil	12⅜	12⅜
Corn Pro	61⅛	61⅛	Soc Vac	12	12⅛
Curtiss Wr	10⅛	10⅜	Sthrn Pac	13⅜	14⅛
„ A	28	28⅛	Sthrn Pac	29⅛	30
Deere & C	23⅛	23⅜	Sperry C	46	46⅛
Dist Corp	18⅛	19	Spicer Mfg	36⅛	37
Douglas	86	87⅛	Std Brand	7⅜	7⅛
Du Pont	187⅜	187⅜	Std G & E	1⅛	1⅛
Am Cyan B	39⅛	39⅜	Std Oil	23⅞	24⅛
Avian Corp	—	7⅛	Std Oil N J	43⅞	43⅜
E P Lead	11⅛	*11⅛	Stone & W	10⅜	11
Eaton Mfg	35	35	Studebaker	11⅛	12⅛
Elec A Lite	39⅛	40⅜	Swift Int	28⅛	28⅛
Elec B & S	7⅛	7⅛	Technicor	15⅝	15⅜
„ $5 pfd	63	64⅛	Tex Corp	47⅞	48⅛
„ $6 pfd	72⅛	72⅛	Tex Gulf	24⅛	24⅛
Elec P & L	33⅞	35⅛	Timken	24⅛	24⅛
Fisk Rub	*15	*15	Transamer	6	6
Flintkote	21⅛	21⅛	Tw Cent	11⅛	11⅛
Gen Am Tr	53⅛	54	„ pfd	24⅛	*24
Gen Elec	39⅛	39⅝	Un Carbide	84	84⅞
Gen Motor	55⅛	55⅝	Un Pacific	96⅜	97⅛
Gen Rly	17⅛	17⅛	Un Air	49	49⅛
Gen T & R	20⅛	21	Un A Line	22⅛	22⅜
Glidden	18⅛	18⅛	Un Corp	2⅜	2⅜
Goodrich	20	20⅛	„ $3 pfd	40⅛	*40⅜
„ $5 pfd	*67⅛	*68	Un Gas	1⅜	1⅜
Goodyear	24⅛	24⅜	Un Gas Imp	12⅛	12⅜
Gt N I Ore	14⅛	14⅜	U S Ind Al	25	25⅛
Gt M Rly	26⅜	27⅛	U S Rub	37	37⅛
Gt W Sug	27⅛	27⅛	„ 8% pfd	116	116
Greyhound	17	17⅜	U S Steel	61⅛	63⅜
Her Pow	98⅛	99⅛	Vanadium	36⅜	37⅛
Homestake	55⅛	56	Vultee Air	10⅜	10⅛
Int Harv	58	57⅞	Walworth	6	6⅛
Int Nickel	34⅜	34⅜	War Br Pic	3⅛	5
Int T & T	*4	*4	West Elec	115½	115
Johns Man	71⅛	71⅜	Woodward	27	27⅜
Jones & L	†66	66½			

BONDS

Amer. & For. Power	67⅞	67¼
Baltimore & Ohio R.R.	27¾	28
Brazil (U.S. of) 8% 1941	21½	*21¼
„ „ 6½% 1957	16¾	17
Cities Serv. & Lt.	88½	88¾
Erie 6s 1967	17	17
Int. Tel. & Tel.	46¼	46⅞
New England Gas & Elec.	69	69⅝
Republic of Colombia	*33⅛	*32⅝
„ „ (1928) 6s '61	33	33
Sthrn. Pacific Co.	47⅞	48
Stan. Gas. & Elec.	69¼	69¼

*—Bid.

Dow-Jones Summary

By Courtesy of Swan, Culbertson & Fritz

Prices on the Stock Exchange today moved higher under the leadership of steel shares, despite the announcement from Pittsburgh of a decline in operations of five per cent. next week. Otherwise, news was featureless.

Stocks:—Ruled impressively firm, especially at the close, which indicates the probability of further strength on Monday, despite the expectation that steel operations may decline next week. Unofficial reports indicate increasing new steel orders, with automobile sales of the retail trade continuing to be of a surprisingly good volume. The Times Index of business activity was placed at 94.1 unchanged from the previous week, and against 89.4 last year.

Cotton:—Declined on commission house and hedge selling on reports of rains over Oklahoma. Spot houses were sellers of May. Otherwise, the market was featureless.

Wheat:—The sharp break at the opening was due to unexpected rains received in the south-west and uncovering stop-loss orders. However, broad new buying developed later, and some longs were reported to be adding to their lines on the belief that only limited benefit was derived from the rains. A forecast indicates light rains for the mid-week only, and any further lowering of prices on Monday appears to be a good buying basis.

Rubber:—Ruled quiet but firm, with buyers showing more interest. Shipments were light and high, and factories were reluctant to trade. Preliminary shipments of native and estate rubber from the N.E.I. during March totalled 44,079 tons, compared with 37,931 tons during February, while exporters' stocks of native rubber at the end of the month amounted to 13,835 tons as against 11,982 tons for the preceding month.

Hides:—Were distinctly firm at the advance. Spots ruled quiet but firm.

Sugar No. 4:—Fresh selling of March and December was attributed to Europe, which, however, was well absorbed. The rumour that India plans to export 200,000 tons was denied today.

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By Thursday stock prices on Wall Street had vigorously advanced to their best levels in more than three months on greatly expanded volume of trading. Steels and aircrafts were the best performers on the list although many specialities made new highs. Steels responded to reports of largely increased orders while aircrafts were heavily bought on renewed reports of large Allied orders about to be placed. The first reactions to the Wisconsin primary election results gave indications of sufficient opposition to President Roosevelt to affect the market bullishly. Well informed quarters stated that important interests are beginning to invest idle funds and the general feeling is gaining ground that the trade decline has spent itself.

Commodity prices ruled steady during the current period under review. More belligerent European news, continued failure of moisture relief in the Southwest, short-covering and buying attributed to a large speculative interest together with the generally improved political sentiment accounted for the improvement in wheat futures at Chicago. According to the United States Weather Bureau, the American grainery belt is threatened by drought conditions similar to those in 1936. With the Bombay interest reduced materially, cotton moved modestly upward with goods sales very large. The undertone of the market was steady. Trading in rubber futures was dull. Tyre prices have been advanced from 2½ to 7½ per cent. After initial heaviness at the beginning of the period, hide futures rose sympathetically with the strength in security markets. Tanners are refusing bids from the shoe trade. Sugar continues to be liquidated but there are indication that a sold out condition is approaching.

The current weekly summary of "Iron Age" notes the improvement of steel export orders. Automobile production during the first quarter is estimated at 1,309,000 cars and the dollar volume of retail automobile financing has been placed at 54.2 per cent. above last year. Sales of the two leading mail order houses, Montgomery Ward and Sears Roebuck during March were up 8.7 per cent. and 3.2 per cent. respectively. It is believed that the smaller gains recorded have been due to adverse weather conditions and the favourable sales period of a year ago. The Department of Commerce has forecast little further decline in business. It is calculated that New York Central will break even for the first quarter. The company is reducing its bank loans by $4,000,000 and is ordering $10,000,000 worth of new equipment. Opposition to the Curtiss-Wright/Atlas Corporation merger is growing. A late cable dispatch reports that American Locomotive has received an order for thirty-five engines.

The Market in Figures

	Thursday Mar. 28	Apr. 4	Change
D.-J. Average for 30 Indust.	147.25	150.41	up 3.16
D.-J. Average for 20 Rails	30.53	31.86	up 1.31
D.-J. Average for 15 Utilit.	24.55	25.78	up 1.23
D.-J. Average for 40 Bonds	88.78	89.77	up .99
D.-J. 11 Commodity Index	59.24	58.53	off .71

Business

	Previous	Latest
N.Y. Times Index	95.0	94.1
Steel operations (% of cap.)	60.7	61.7
Carloadings (car loads)	620,000	628,000
Elec. power prod. (kw. hrs.)	*2,424,000	*2,422,000
Aver. daily oil prod. (bbls.)	3,871,000	3,841,000

*'000 omitted

Commodity Prices

	Thursday Mar. 28	Apr. 4
Chicago Wheat	104⅞	105½
Winnipeg Wheat	89¼	89¼
Corn	56¾	57
Cotton	10.55	10.64
Rubber	18.20	18.22
Hides	13.55	13.63
Sugar	1.53	1.42½
Cococa	5.44	5.52

Stock Outlook: While the market still is confronted with the necessity of absorbing a large supply of stock before conclusive penetration of the upside resistance level, there are growing indications favouring eventual success. With important interests beginning to invest idle funds and many signs that the trade decline has spent itself, together with the favourable implications drawn from the results of the Visconsin primaries, it would appear that a further advance in stock prices is likely.

New York Metal

New York Metals: Antimony, Chinese, in car load lots (25 tons) f.o.b. New York, duty paid, 16½ cents per lb., unch; Tin, Straits, c.i.f., New York (25 tons lots) 45½ cents per lb. unchanged; Copper, Electrolytic, first hand 11¼ cents per lb. unch.—Reuter.

Japan's Stabilization Fund

Tokyo, Apr. 7.

Japan's Y.300,000,000 exchange stabilization fund may be placed under the control of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry as the Government today moved to streamline official procedure in supplying industry with imported raw materials. The fund is now under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of Finance.

Mr. Ginjiro Fujiwara, Minister of Commerce and Industry, proposed the transfer at Friday's Cabinet meeting pointing out that under the present system importers of raw materials had to obtain permission for the acquisition of goods overseas from the Commerce and Industry Ministry and had to petition the Ministry of Finance for authorization to buy foreign exchange to make the purchase.

By placing the exchange stabilization fund under the control of his ministry, Mr. Fujiwara said, a better co-ordination could be achieved by rationing imports according to the size of exports.—Domei.

Bank of Japan Gold Reserves

Osaka, Apr. 5.

The gold reserves of the Bank of Japan yesterday totalled Y.501,287,000, same as on Thursday last week and on April 6 last year.—Reuter.

Bank of France Returns

Paris, Apr. 4.

Gold reserves totalling 84,614,000,000 francs of a gold content of 27.5 milligrammes were shown in the returns issued today by the Bank of France for the week ended March 27, showing no change as compared with the preceding week.

The total note circulation was given as 156,032,000,000 francs, an increase of 1,089,000,000 francs, compared with last week.—Reuter.

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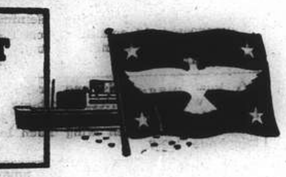

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ms. CHRISTIAAN HUYGENS ..	June 1	June 3
ms. DEMPO	June 19	June 21
ms. JOHAN v. OLDENBARNEVELT	July 6	July 8
ms. INDRAPOERA	July 24	July 26
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VESSELS ARRIVING TO-DAY

The following particulars in connection with vessels due to arrive to-day are based upon information available yesterday evening.

From **NAGASAKI:** Nagasaki Maru, with mail due 2 p.m., Wayside Wharf.

From **DAIREN:** Tsingtao Maru, with mail due 2-3 p.m., Whangpoo Wharf.

DUE AT FUTURE DATES

All vessels are listed under their terminal port. The first date is that of the ship's departure from that port, and the second is the date she is due to arrive in Shanghai Where a ship's name is duplicated it indicates the port of call last visited.

On account of the present international situation there is considerable interference with movements of ships, especially those from Europe. In cases where it is definitely known that the vessel is not running to schedule the Shanghai arrival date is omitted.

EUROPE AND STRAITS

From GENOA			From MACASSAR		
India	29/2	6/5	Tjibadak	7/4	22/4
From TRIESTE			**From MANILA**		
Volpi	27/2	22/4	Pres. Cleveland	5/4	10/4
Carignano	25/2	22/4	Niel Maersk	8/4	14/4
From SOURABAYA			**From HONGKONG**		
Tjibadak	5/4	22/4	See "China Ports" below		

AMERICA AND JAPAN

From NEW YORK			**From SAN FRANCISCO**		
G'trude Maersk	26/2	14/4	Tatuta M.	27/3	21/4
Dona Aniceta	—	16/4	Pres. Coolidge	5/4	23/4
Memphis City	—	20/4	**From SEATTLE**		
Titania	14/3	21/4	West Cuseta	18/3	9/4
Grete Maersk	11/3	28/4	Crown City	30/3	21/4
Sagoland	—	30/4	**From HONOLULU**		
Hulda Maersk	22/3	6/5	Tatuta Maru	1/4	21/4
From PANAMA			**From KOBE**		
Hulda Maersk	1/4	6/5	Kasima Maru	8/4	10/4
From LOS ANGELES			Kashima Maru	19/4	21/4
G'trude Maersk	19/3	14/4	Taiyo Maru	3/5	5/5
Tatuta M.	25/3	21/4	**From NAGASAKI**		
Grete Maersk	1/4	28/4	Shanghai Maru	9/4	10/4
Pres. Coolidge	1/4	6/5			

AFRICA AND AUSTRALIA

From CAPETOWN			**From MOMBASA**		
Tegelberg	13/3	20/4	Tegelberg	31/3	20/4

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VESSELS SAILING

The undermentioned vessels are due to sail from Shanghai upon the dates indicated.

For LONDON		**For NEW YORK**	
Delagoa Maru	20/4	Titania	22/4
Durban Maru	1/5	Peter Maersk	2/5
For LIVERPOOL		N. Maersk	16/4
Haruna Maru	15/4	Kinai Maru	7/5
For TRIESTE		Gertrude Maersk	16/5
Volpi	23/4	**For San FRANCISCO**	
Carignano	23/4	Asama Maru	8/4
For COLOMBO		Pres. Cleveland	12/4
Tokiwa Maru	9/4	Tatuta Maru	28/4
For BOMBAY		**For SEATTLE**	
Taketoyo Maru	9/4	West Cuseta	13/4
Nagato Maru	14/4	Crown City	24/4
Anyo Maru	25/4	**For Buenos Aires**	
For CAPETOWN		Kanto Maru	25/4
Tegelberg	22/4	**For KOBE**	
For JAVA		Tango Maru	9/4
Tjinegara	11/4	Yasukuni Maru	14/4
Tjibadak	25/4	Kasima Maru	14/4
For HONGKONG		Hakone Maru	19/4
Tatuta Maru	22/4	Yasukuni Maru	22/4
For MANILA		Kashima Maru	22/4
Gertrude Maersk	15/4	Taiyo Maru	8/5
Pres. Coolidge	28/4	**For NAGASAKI**	
Nitta Maru	1/5	Nagasaki Maru	9/4
For NEW YORK		**For DAIREN**	
Azuma Maru	8/4	Tsingtao Maru	9/4
Akagi Maru	14/4	Dairen Maru	12/4
Dona Aniceta	19/4	Tsingtao Maru	16/4
		Dairen Maru	19/4
		Hoten Maru	23/4
		Dairen Maru	26/4

DUE AT FUTURE DATES (Continued)

CHINA PORTS

From DAIREN		From HONGKONG	
Dairen Maru	9/4	11/4 Pres. Cleveland	8/4 10/4

VESSELS DISCHARGING

PETER MAERSK. The Maersk Line m.s. Peter Maersk, from New York, Boston, Philadelphia, Norfolk, Baltimore, Los Angeles, Yokohama and Kobe via Ports is now discharging her cargo at the Old Ningpo Wharf. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and take immediate delivery of their cargo. All risk of fire at the wharf and godowns to be borne by consignees. Any claims against this vessel must be sent in within (15) fifteen days after the vessel's arrival, otherwise they will not be recognized. Damaged cargo to be examined at the Old Ningpo Wharf by Messrs. Paulsen & Bayes Davy on Tuesday morning, April 9, at 9 a.m. Maersk Line Shanghai Agency, 210-214 Kiukiang Road. Tel. 15566. 10-4

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BRASIL MARU	May 17	SYDNEY MARU	Apr. 30
For Bombay and Karachi		**For West Africa**	
ATLAS MARU	Apr. 11	SEIA MARU	Apr. 25
For Calcutta			
SYUNKO MARU	Apr. 12		

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Yesterday's Arrivals

Name	From	Consignees
Tangyang Maru	River Ports	N.Y.K.
Hareldwins	Sankongkow	T.C.C.
Jean Laborde	Hongkong	M. Maritimes
Wilford	Hongkong	Jebsen
Taiko Maru 8	T'lungkong	T.K.K.
Asama Maru	Japan	N.Y.K.
Koa Maru 5	T'lungkong	T.K.K.
H. Tseangtah	Wenchow	T.C.C.
Elbhof	Ningpo	Carlowitz
Gabon	Singapore	—
Tango Maru	Hongkong	N.Y.K.
Tjinegara	Hongkong	J.C.J.L.
Jav. Prince	Hongkong	Prince Line
Azuma Maru	Hongkong	N.Y.K.
Fengyang Maru	River Ports	T.K.K.
Chingning Maru	Tsungming	T.K.K.
Nortun	Hongkong	Mollers
Luise	Hsinkong	G.M.C.
Hungyun Maru	T'lungkong	Chu Foong
Taiko Maru 18	Hsinkong	T.K.K.
Tawha	T'lungkong	Quen Kee
Kanre Maru	—	N.Y.K.
Talien	Tsungming	Wan Woo
Yungyang Maru	River Ports	T.K.K.
Lipari	T'lungkong	C.F.P.K.

Yesterday's Departures

Name	Flag	Despatcher
Meinan	Am.	S.V.O.C.
Corona	Nor.	K.M.A.
Proteus	Nor.	H.G.&R.
Chingning Maru	Jap.	T.K.K.
Kaidah	Jap.	T.K.K.
Kenryu Maru	Jap.	M.B.K.
Conte Verde	Ital.	L. Triestino
Kiangnan	Port.	C.F.P.K.
Syoan Maru	Jap.	Showa S.S.
Shanghai Maru	Jap.	T.K.K.
Chekiang Maru	Jap.	T.K.K.
Norse Carrier	Pan.	Wallem
Isabel Moller	Nor.	K.M.A.
Heini	Ger.	G.F.E.
Koa Maru 3	Jap.	T.K.K.
Husan Maru	Jap.	N.Y.K.
Estelle L.	Am.	Hwa Tai
Ardent	Nor.	Jebsen Line
Haitung	Nor.	T.K.K.
G. Diederichsen	Dan.	Jebsen Line

Men-of-War in Port

Name	Flag	Type	Berthed
Luzon	Am.	Gbt.	Upper Sec.
D. de Lagree	Fr.	Gbt.	K.S.D.
Fran. Garnier	Fr.	Gbt.	F.N.B.
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Death of Gen. Sung Cheh-yuan

Man Who Held Up Japanese In Jehol Dies in Szechuen; Chungking Condolences

Chungking, Apr. 7.

News has just been received of the death of General Sung Cheh-yuan, famous for his resistance of the Japanese in Jehol. He died at noon on April 4, at Meinyang, in Northern Szechuen, north-east of Changtu. General Chiang Kai-shek and Mr. Lin Sen, chairman of the National Government, have telegraphed their condolences to the family.

General Sung Cheh-yuan became ill last September and went to Kwangsi for a rest. Later he came to Chungking, then moved to Kwanhsien. Recently he visited Meinyang, where he was married many years ago. He was 55 years of age.

Known as the "hero of Hsifengkuo," General Sung Cheh-yuan, won renown for an epic encounter with the Japanese invaders of Jehol province in the spring of 1933. For more than a month, at the head of the Chinese 29th Army, he held the Hsifengkuo Pass against overwhelming odds until the collapse of the Chinese defences at other points along the Great Wall forced him to retreat.

At this time General Sung was Governor of Charhar, which, after the loss of Jehol, became China's principal buffer against the territorial encroachments of Japan and Manchoukuo.

Served With "Christian General"

Born in the Loning district of Shantung in 1885, General Sung received much of his early military training with General Feng Yu-hsiang, the "Christian" general, and became one of the latter's most able lieutenants. Under Feng, he fought against the Peiping Republican Government on behalf of the Nationalist (Kuomintang) Revolution, and as a reward for his services was appointed Governor of Shensi in 1927.

It was in 1931 that he was transferred to Charhar as Governor and Commander of the 29th Army. His defence of the Hsifengkuo Pass in 1933, brought him into disfavour with the Japanese, who were at that time beginning to exert a steadily increasing pressure on the Chinese authorities for the recognition of North China as a "special sphere" of Japanese interest. The Japanese saw in General Sung a dangerous opponent of their plans and in the summer of 1935, he was compelled to resign. His resignation did not, however, result in his eclipse.

In the autumn of the same year, he reappeared on the scene as Chairman of the newly-created Hopei and Charhar Political Council, which was established by the Nanking Government as a semi-autonomous body. At the same time, he became concurrently Garrison Commander of the Peiping-Tientsin area, Pacification Commissioner of Hopei and Charhar and Governor of Hopei.

Battle of Wits

Still at the head of the 29th Army, the only Chinese troops which the Japanese permitted to be stationed in Hopei and Charhar, General Sung moved into Hopei, taking up his headquarters at Peiping. The following year witnessed a battle of wits in which General Sung, delicately poised between Nanking and the Japanese, maintained his position by a judicious blend of obstinacy and tact.

Early in 1937, he surrendered his post as Governor of Hopei owing to the pressure of his other duties. In July of that year, General Sung took a leading part in the negotiations aiming at a settlement of the dispute arising out of the incident between Chinese and Japanese troops at Luikouchio earlier in the month.

On July 27, he received an ultimatum from General Katsuki, the Japanese Commander-in-Chief in North China, demanding the withdrawal of the troops of the 37th Division from the Luikouchio district by noon the next day. The ultimatum was not complied with and General Sung pledged himself to defend Chinese territory to the last man.

Two days later, fighting was in full swing round Peiping and Tientsin, and General Sung himself had fled to Paotingfu. Before leaving the city, he prepared a communique announcing that he had been ordered to Paotingfu and delegating his powers as Chairman of the Hopei and Charhar Council and Pacification Commissioner, to General Chang Tsu Chung, Mayor of Tientsin.

On July 31, the Chinese Government received a telegram from him holding himself responsible for the situation, tendering his resignation of all his posts and asking that he should be punished.—Reuter.

Philippines Trade Mission for U.S.

Commercial Possibilities To Be Studied Next Year

Manila, Apr. 7.

The Philippine Commonwealth is planning to send an economic mission to Europe, the United States, and South America in 1941 to investigate trade possibilities, the "Manila Tribune" reported unofficially today.

Mr. Francis B. Sayre, the United States High Commissioner to the Philippines, approved President Manuel Quezon's plan to appropriate 40,000 pesos from refunds from the excise tax for the expenses of 12 delegates to the mission, the newspaper declared. The mission would possibly include the Secretary of the Interior, Sr. Rafael R. Alunan, and the Secretary of Finance, Sr. Manuel Roxas, and Philippine businessmen, the "Tribune" reported.

It was recalled that the excise funds, under the terms of the Economic Adjustment Act could be used to adjust Philippine economy against the blow expected from the severance of preferential economic relations with the United States in 1946.—United Press.

German Women Act as Spies in Britain

London, Apr. 7.

British authorities prepared on Saturday to act against German women in Britain after discovery of cases of numerous "two-day wives," who marry Britons and disappear after a few days with valuable information or after having obtained British passports.—United Press.

Franco-Japanese Trade Parleys Open

Talks Start in Paris for Renewing Modus Vivendi

Paris, Apr. 7.

Franco-Japanese trade negotiations for the renewal of the *modus vivendi* which expired on March 15 was begun in Paris yesterday.

The Commercial Secretary to the Japanese Embassy here yesterday began talks with experts in the Ministries of Commerce, Finance and Foreign Affairs yesterday hoping to reach an agreement before the end of April.

Although Japanese exports to France have virtually discontinued since the start of the European war, Tokyo hopes to re-establish the French market for raw silk and was also asking for a quota for canned fish under the new agreement. Even before the start of the war, Franco-Japanese trade fell one-half in two years, dropping from 48,500,000 yen worth of Japanese exports to France and Algeria in 1937 to 25,000,000 yen in 1939.

Morocco, Indo-China, French West Africa and Syria are all excellent markets for Japanese exports, chiefly cotton goods, silks and rice. In normal years Japan sold more to the French Empire than to France itself. In return the French Empire sold Japan 48,500,000 yen worth of exports in 1939.

Parallel with these negotiations, Japan was said to be seeking also French approval of the Anglo-Japanese agreement reported to have been reached last week concerning Chinese silver deposited in Tientsin banks. Under the agreement reported to be signed shortly, the silver would be entrusted to the control of a mixed commission on which Japanese, American, British and French representatives would sit. At present, there are said to be $26,000,000 worth of Chinese silver deposited in the French Concession alone at Tientsin.—United Press.

Envoy to Discuss Trade in Osaka

Osaka, Apr. 7.

M. Charles Arsene-Henry, French Ambassador to Japan, will visit here on April 9 to hold a round-table discussion on Franco-Japanese trade problems with Osaka Business men, it was learned today.—Domei.

German Press Wooing Japan

Bid Made for Support in European War

Amsterdam, Apr. 6.

Faithful to Hitlerian tactics of persuasion backed up by strategic pressure, the German press today continued to woo Japan with an eye to open Japanese support in the European conflict.

Japan is interested in a German victory in Europe, the "Rheinwestfaelische Zeitung" editorialised. The "Koelnishe Zeitung" meanwhile took another tack, seeking to draw Japan closer to Germany by pointing out an alleged threat on the other side. It stated:

"American naval manœuvres in the Pacific constitute a provocation to Japan. The Island Empire must look on these manœuvres, in the light of President Roosevelt's aggressive policy of domination, as a symptom of the United States' resolution to oppose the New Order in Asia."

This sudden German solicitude for Japan was looked upon with scepticism in local political quarters, for it was recalled that the German press, only a few short days ago, was cold and even hostile to the formation of the Wang Ching-wei Government in Nanking.—Havas.

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Mr. Bullitt Takes Clipper for Paris

New York, Apr. 6.

Mr. William C. Bullitt, American Ambassador to France, left for Paris on board the Atlantic Clipper today He stayed in the United States two months, presenting a full report to the Administration on the European situation and presumably receiving instructions on his policy in Paris.—Havas.

U.S. Bomber Lands At Honolulu

Honolulu, Apr. 7.

A four-motor naval patrol bomber landed here yesterday at 7.55 a.m. from San Diego after an uneventful trip. The giant Sikorsky bomber was piloted by Lieutenant Kenneth Craig. The plane carried a crew of eight.—United Press.

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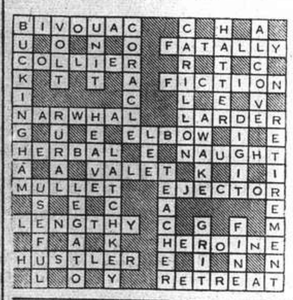

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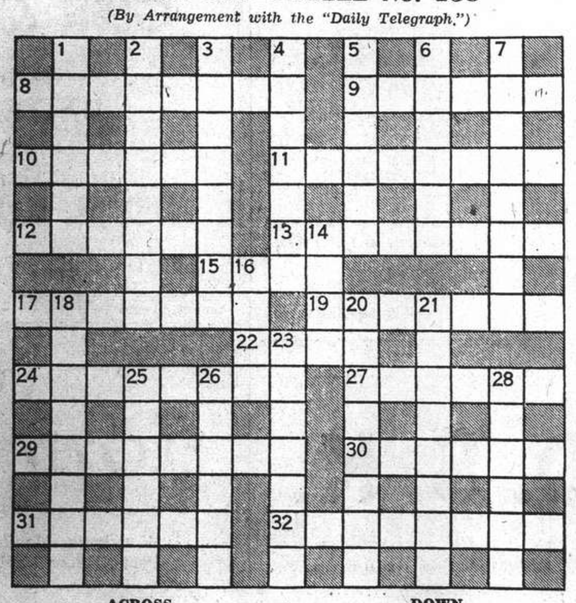

ACROSS

8 This German poet always had a slight internal cold
9 The crossword enthusiast looking for a cure for this may find it puzzling
10 A prehistoric monument
11 Downfall that may make it hard to see
12 Natural
13 Whence if not wealth at any rate a deal door could be obtained
15 A heart without feeling
17 British poet apparently intended to be passed over
19 Precious stone
22 Similar to be attracted by
24 Lift
27 A subtle point this
29 Abroad
30 A slope is naturally not level
31 A natural weapon
32 A fur sounds like the relations of one in the underground

DOWN

1 "Censer" (anag.)
2 Refuse apparently keeping a grip
3 English girl always to be found in Italy
4 A seaside criminal to whom 21 down would be sound advice
5 Expressed
6 One pierced by Cupid's arrow
7 This tendency tends to reduce the population
14 Vegetable
16 European capital
18 Apropos
20 Human beings agree in the mind
21 Rash (see 4 down)
23 Causing 9 across or Mike's it might be
25 A certain number annoy with masculine vigour
26 Supposition
28 The small boy was nervous when he heard the doctor say he needed this

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Lost

LOST. Draft No. 3922 for $300 issued on March 26, 1940 by the Shanghai Commercial & Savings Bank, Tientsin, on their Shanghai Branch, in favour of Mrs. Fatima Bari, has been cancelled and the public is warned against negotiating same. -5696

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